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Weymouth after dark

Group aims to show that town is safe and successful at night

by Harry Walton

A MAJOR study is battling to change public perception of Weymouth town centre as a place some people are frightened to go out in at night.

The Weymouth After Dark initiative, funded by Home Office cash, plans to pull all concerned groups together to try and make Weymouth a safer and more successful town at night.

Everyone from residents to pub landlords and from business people to councillors, police and shopkeepers attended a two-session workshop split by a town centre walking tour to debate the problem.

Consultants' spokesman Richard Eastham and Alistair Tumham told a packed session at The New Vic

that the "reassurance agenda" covered the period 5.30pm-2am.

They said Weymouth doesn't have a major crime and disorder problem but people have this

perception, largely through adverse media coverage.

It was a perception which was "a massive issue, more than anywhere else we have been" for

which there was "no magic solution".

People need to be convinced that there is very little chance of them being involved in a crime or even seeing one, they said.

After Dark will look at why people don't use the town centre at night and

what can be done to change their minds.

One key area identified was bridging the gap between retail closure at 5.30pm and people going out drinking after 8.30pm.

Weymouth strengths included its five kilometers of waterfront, its built environment, good restaur-

rants, traditional pubs, a walkable town centre and pro-active police.

Its weaknesses included limited family-friendly offers and 5-8pm attractions, the uncertainty of the Pavilion site, a reputation for crime and disorder "which doesn't match real-

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CHANGING PERCEPTIONS: A group debate at the After Dark workshop

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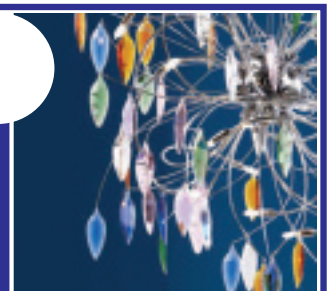
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MOVING to Lyme Regis after he "fancied a change of scenery" Terry O'Grady has been a busy man.

Landlord, businessman and DJ in the town, the Cirencester born Mr O'Grady is now setting his sights on becoming a town councillor.

High on his agenda is establishing a club for the town's young people, something which he believes is vital after attending a club back in Gloucester, which helped define his life and gave him his first taste of being a DJ.

Here DJ TOG tells us his favourite current music, why he'd have a laugh at his own dinner party and why he'll miss local legend Joe O'Donnell.

■ WHAT made you want to move to Lyme?

I fancied a change of scenery from my hometown. I was interested in running a bar so ended up in the Harbour Inn on the sea front, where I had a great time. I was there for a couple of years then moved back to Cirencester, but decided I wanted to be back in Lyme.

■ WHAT do you like about Lyme?

What's not to like about the town: great atmosphere; great characters; great people; great views; and great pubs. You couldn't find a better place to live than Lyme; it's got everything you need.

■ ANYTHING you would like to see changed?

I'd like to see the club for young people opened. It would be nice to see the trust donate the building back to the town and have somebody local to re-develop it. Then some of us can get in there and get the place refurbished. It should be back as a youth club. And maybe one day a skate park.

■ WHY do you feel there is a big need for more youth facilities in the town?

I'm from Fairford, Gloucester and there was a huge club there. When we were growing up there the youth provisions were superb. But with cutbacks the young people lose out. I think the young people of Lyme deserve better.

■ YOU are on the youth consortium and vice chair of the steering committee for young people. How is that developing?

Look at the youth provisions for young people in the town. The recent meeting was one of the most important meetings for young people in the town.

■ YOU'RE thinking of standing for town councillor. What are you hoping to achieve?

I get frustrated it takes so long for anything to be



done. We've been waiting 20 years for a skatepark. Without criticising the members of the council, some have been there for years and still there's no skatepark. We are lucky Lucy Campbell is on the case, and you never know one day, I'm thinking of standing next year when the election comes up. I think the council

needs a few fresh faces.

■ TELL us a little bit about your DJing?

I've been DJing for a long time and go under the name TOG. I play all sorts of dance, from 80s and 90s up to my favourite artists Dizzie Rascal and Lady Gaga. My favourite song is Dizzie's "Bonkers", probably because it describes me a little bit.

■ HAVE you any other hobbies?

Mainly the DJing, but I like cooking and socialising and being around all my good friends and drinking Guinness.

■ WHICH three guests would you invite for dinner?

Jamie Oliver, so he could criticise my cooking. Lenny Henry because he's a legend and Michael McIntyre because he's just funny.

■ WHAT would be the first three things you would buy if you won the lottery?

A club for the young people in Lyme because it's needed. I don't know what to do with it; I'd be lucky to win a tenner. Maybe a house and a car.

■ WHAT three things would you take to a desert island?

A barrel of Guinness. Some music definitely, I'd probably take my DJ equipment to play to myself and some good friends.

■ HAVE you a favourite character from Lyme?

Definitely Joe O'Donnell. He was a friend when I took over the running of the Harbour Inn. We've always been friends and he always gave me advice, and it's sad to lose such a great character and great landlord in this town and the man was a true legend.

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Golden sands for the summer

WEYMOUTH'S famous golden sands are being spruced up ready for the summer season.

Sand on Weymouth beach is displaced by wind and rain during the winter months, so each year it must be levelled out in order to keep it in picture-perfect condition, a process which has just finished.

A council spokesman said: "Weymouth's trademark golden sands are an important part of what makes our borough so special and the beach receives yearly attention in order to keep it in peak condition."

"People who see the team in operation during the levelling process often assume that sand is being delivered to the beach from elsewhere."

"However it is actually just being redistributed – we don't import sand to Weymouth."

"This annual maintenance effort is part of the Council's preparations to get Weymouth and Portland ready for the summer season."

Six feet of floodwater!

by Harry Walton

PERMISSION for a £1.1 million flood defence scheme has been deferred after horrified councillors were told it would leave one householder facing floodwater over his head.

The scheme to contain the River Jordan will protect 27 homes in the Fisherbridge Road, Mill Lane and Bridge Lane areas of Sutton Poyntz near Weymouth.

But councillors heard from retired scientist David Penny that the work would cause more flooding at his Mill Springs home not less.

Stunned committee members refused to deal with the scheme when the Environment Agency project was outlined at a meeting of Weymouth and Portland's planning committee.

Instead they unanimously voted to defer a decision to allow time for more talks between the agency and Mr Penny to try and agree a solution to the problem. The scheme and the result of the talks are due back before plan-

ners in three weeks time.

A delighted Mr Penny said at his home: "I am very pleased and I will be talking with the agency to try and get their scheme altered so it doesn't threaten my garden with more than six feet of floodwater."

"The committee was quite rightly concerned. We could have had water over our heads if they hadn't deferred it."

His wife, Chris said: "When we saw the scheme we realised we would need lifejackets rather than boots to go in our garden. At least now the scheme can be changed."

The couple still face losing ten laurel trees and a poplar for the works which propose building a defence wall to protect their home from flooding.

Agency project manager Phil Barlow, who said he hoped talks could resolve the problem, had earlier told the meeting that he appreciated not everyone would like the scheme and that pleasing everyone was a difficult task but it was "a rare opportunity to build this scheme"

Councillor Geoff Petherick voiced members concerns when he said: "I am absolutely horrified by what Mr Penny might be facing. It is unacceptable."



■ UP TO HERE! David Penny shows that floodwater in his garden could come over his wife's head.

Promoting Weymouth as a safe and enjoyable place after dark

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ity" and an unwelcoming railway station area.

A negative media approach meant it could take Weymouth years to turn that perception around, they said, but there were huge opportunities.

These included asking shops and coffee houses to stay open later and greater use of the waterfront.

More than 50 workshop members then split into groups to make comments during town centre walkabouts before returning to group debate feedback.

Ideas suggested included more facilities such as ice skating and family eating attractions to encourage family groups into town at night not just during the day.

Increased public lighting to highlight the town centre's character and architecture was another suggestion as well as one-off lighting events perhaps involving children.

People also suggested turning Westway Road into a cultural leisure centre, more facilities for 12-16-year-olds and using an empty town centre shop to create a refuge centre where anyone who felt threatened could go.

Weymouth and Portland community safety spokesman Councillor Ian James said: "After Dark gives us an opportunity to examine how changes in the planning, design and management of the town centre can help reduce crime, fear of crime and also encourage residents who don't currently use it to do so and therefore enjoy what it has to offer."

Superintendent Dave Thorp of Dorset Police agreed and said the After Dark strategy "will ensure that a night time environment is created which is both safe and enjoyable".

He added: "We believe the After Dark strategy, where partners develop solutions together, will be effective in further reducing crime and the fear of crime."

The consultants said that all comments and policy and economic assessments would be collated and brought before a second workshop at the end of April to produce an After Dark strategy and action plan for Weymouth in years to come.

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Councils working together

WEST Dorset councils have committed to working closely together to make services more efficient and effective whilst making best use of funds.

County council and six district / borough councils decided in 2007 to become a "pathfinder" area under a national government initiative to encourage councils to work in closer partnership.

Under that banner the councils have developed a number of projects aimed at giving local people better value for money and services which are easy to access.

In the coming months the priorities for the councils will include: waste collection and disposal, cre-

ating an information technology network and exploring how councils can work with other public services, like the NHS, to improve services and efficiency (Total Place project).

Other benefits would include looking at how all public services manage their buildings across Dorset and joining up where possible and developing a business case for West Dorset District and Weymouth and Portland Borough Councils to have joint management and staff structures.

The Pathfinder scheme would see the moving towards a joint chief executive and shared management team for East Dorset District and

Christchurch Borough Councils.

Leader of WDDC, Councillor Robert Gould, said: "The national pathfinder programme has acted as a catalyst for closer working. Dorset councils are now moving forward, working together to improve the way they provide services for residents.

"It is crucial, in a tough financial climate, that we all make the best use of council tax payers' money, offering the services that people need at the lowest possible cost."

The programme of joint work will continue under the banner of Dorset councils - working together.

Volunteers wanted to share their memories

VOLUNTEERS are urgently being sought for Age Concern Dorchester's online project "Dorset's Living Memories".

The project, supported by BT and Dorset POPP, has been running for almost a year and aims to collect memories, stories and photographs from Dorset's elderly community.

Project manager Margaret Wellspring said: "Thanks to a second year's funding from BT we have now extended the project to other areas of the

county. We are particularly looking for volunteers in the Bridport and Lyme Regis areas as we have people in day centres, care homes and at home all waiting to be interviewed.

"The project has touched the lives of many older people giving them a sense of worth and a new way of sharing their memories with the younger generation."

If you are interested in the history of the county, have an aptitude for writing and would like to work with older people, please

contact Margaret on 01305 269444 or email memories@acdorchester.org for further information.

The Dorset's Living Memories website can be found at www.acdorchester.org



SILVER SURFERS: Project Manager Margaret Wellspring (right) with Di Lawrence, Age Concern Dorchester's Chief Officer (left) and volunteers and contributors of the Dorset's Living Memories project

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WEYMOUTH has just shivered its way through the coldest winter quarter for 14 years.

Town weatherman Bob Poots said that the picture was rounded off by a chilly February which had several snow flurries.

Rainfall was 19 per cent above average at 76.5mm while sunshine was still slightly up at 83.5 hours despite nine February days being completely sunless.

The month also saw ground frost recorded 12 times and air frost 3 times while the strongest wind gust of 35mph came on February 26th.

Monthly temperatures were all lower than usual with the average maximum down 0.7 degrees Centigrade at 7.6C, minimum down 0.3C at 2.8C, mean down 0.5C at 5.2C and the average sea temperature down 1C at 5.5C.

Seasonal temperatures were also below the seasonal average with maximum down 0.5C at 7.8C, minimum down 1.4C at 2.3C, mean down 0.8C at 5.4C and the average sea temperature down 0.8C at 7.4C.

Beach clean-up

A FLEET foreshore litter pick-up will be held this Saturday, March 13th, from 10am until noon.

Marshals will give out bags and instructions and helpers should wear suitable footwear and bring gloves.

Meeting points include Tidmoor Farmhouse at Charlestown, Camp Road near the Bridging Camp, Pirates Cove at the bottom of Pirates Lane and the Oyster farm meeting at Fisherman's Way near the Crane House café at Ferrybridge.

For information please telephone the Chesil Beach Centre 01305-760579 or visit the Chesil Website www.chesil-beach.org.

Objections to 'tax on shopping'

by Harry Walton

ANGRY traders have denounced the idea of making people pay for currently free harbourside parking as "a tax on shopping in Weymouth".

They were objecting to a proposal to consider having more town centre parking meters which could involve the loss of free parking in areas such as Custom House Quay.

Weymouth and Portland Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Tourism secretary Michel Hooper-Immins told a meeting of the town's management committee that the business community was "greatly opposed" to any loss of free on-street spaces.

Many people used such spaces for quick visits to banks, shops, suppliers and other sites, he said, and charging for such spaces would be viewed badly as "a tax on local people shopping in Weymouth".

He added that a change to meters would cause a "black hole" in 2011 finances, officers saying that any such scheme would have to pay for itself within four years to be considered successful.

Mr Hooper-Immins suggested making the free one-hour spaces for residents only, but Weymouth and Portland transport spokesman Councillor Christine James said the chamber claimed it wanted to encourage visitors but they would be penalised if the chamber's suggestion was adopted.

Ideas raised by members included reducing one-hour free spaces to 40

minutes.

Councillor Brendan Webster said: "If you want traffic out of the town centre it is difficult to support more paying spaces. Short stay in-and-out spaces are better."

Mayor Councillor Anne Kenwood said keeping parking free would help businesses at that end of town.

Chairman Coun Mike Goodman said the whole question should be allowed to go forward for consideration by planning and traffic committee colleagues and that a report back to management in June should include further investigation of the business case for introducing more parking meters in town. The meeting agreed.

Work begins on new fire station

INITIAL work has started on a scheme to build Weymouth's new fire station.

Chain saws were used to remove a hedge fronting the site off Radipole Lane which used to be the former Westhaven school.

Building materials have also been brought on to the site which will be transformed into a state of the art new fire station in just over a year's time.

The new building will include public educational resources, community safety facilities and meeting rooms.

Materials from the demolition of the old school will be used to help build the new fire station which will also include a community centre aimed at giving health and fire safety training and advice to residents.

Deputy Chief Fire Officer Nigel Williams said: "The new community fire station will enable our hard working teams to focus on local community safety issues and educational work to complement this."

"With the 2012 Olympics moving ever closer, we can



■ UNDERWAY: Workmen remove a hedge in front of the new fire station site

be assured that we will be in the best position as possible to support this on a local level and we are delighted that work has started on this scheme."

Emergency nuclear incident exercise

AN emergency planning exercise is due to be held on Portland today (Wednesday) to practice response to a nuclear incident.

Teams from the Royal Navy and Maritime and Coastguard Agency will practice the distribution of potassium iodide tablets to premises in the area around Portland Port.

An exercise spokesman said: "The tablets help protect people from the effects of radioactive iodine which could escape in the unlikely event of a reactor accident."

He added that it formed part of the Nuclear Accident Emergency Plan which is in place to react to the remote possibility of a nuclear accident occurring during the visit of a nuclear powered warship to the port.

The exercise will be closely watched by regulators, Nuclear Installations Inspectorate and the Defence Nuclear Safety Regulator so that it can demonstrate to them that proper plans and practices are in place.

The spokesman said: "People should be reassured that the plan caters for the worst case scenario and that it would be a highly unlikely event. Nuclear-powered submarines have been operated safely for over 40 years."

The exercise will involve teams of about 12 Royal Naval and Maritime and Coastguard Agency personnel delivering an information booklet through letter boxes to imitate the distribution of tablets.

Anyone receiving a booklet need take no further action other than retaining the booklet in a safe place. A telephone number is printed in the booklet if anyone has any enquiries.

Last call for Mayor's ball

TICKETS are still available for the Mayor's Charity Ball in Weymouth on Friday, March 19th.

The gala evening will support Weymouth and Portland Mayor, Councillor Anne Kenwood's two chosen charities which are Weymouth and Portland District Scouts and the League of Friends of Weymouth and Portland Hospitals.

More information is available from the council on 01305-838000.

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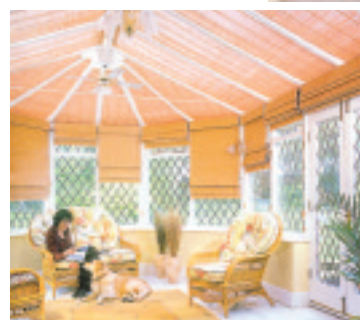
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Walk a mile in their shoes

THERE are just eleven days left until the Sainsbury's Sport Relief Weymouth College Mile.

The event will take place at Redlands Community Sports Hub in Weymouth on Sunday, March 21st.

Many local people have already signed up and more are being encouraged to take part.

College sports development officer Ben Heath said: "The Weymouth College Mile is set to be an amazing day."

"It's fantastic that so many Weymouth and Portland people are gathering together to show their support for Sport Relief 2010, but we want this to be the best Sport Relief event yet, so we still need more people to raise their game, enter the Weymouth College Mile and join us to raise plenty of cash!"

Entrants can choose their own distance challenge from one, three or six miles.

It means that everyone from small children with their mums and dads to super sprinters up against the clock can take part because there is something for everyone on the big day.

Sponsorship money raised by the event will be spent by Comic Relief to help transform lives here in the UK and across the world's poorest countries.

Sport Relief has a unique history of dedicated people including this year's Amazing Amazon Adventure by Helen Skelton.

People can enter the Sainsbury's Sport Relief Mile now at www.sportrelief.com.



Trophy for young engineers

WEYMOUTH College students won a trophy at an annual engineering challenge day.

David Bull, Jack Foot, Philip Paul, Jack Prior, Oliver Smart and Maxine Wildeman, who all study at Weymouth College on the National Diploma in Engineering, lifted the Aimhigher Engineering Challenge trophy.

The aim of the day, which was sponsored by Yeovilton's Fleet Air Arm Museum in association with Aimhigher, was to raise awareness of engineering in Higher Education and as a career.

Key Museum staff and volunteers, the majority of whom were engineers, were on hand for teams to consult during the project.

The task included aspects of mechanisms, forces and motion and control with teams required to design, build and test their projects. Team working, communication and pragmatism were key parts of the activity.

The College group tutor Mike Robbins was impressed with how dedicated they were and said: "The group showed great commitment and concentration during the day and represented the College admirably."

WEYMOUTH COLLEGE NEWS by Harry Walton

Team leader Maxine Wildeman explained: "The task consisted of designing and demonstrating, at model scale, a new aircraft landing system operating from a stable platform out in rough seas. In addition it all had to be controlled by an electrical control system."

"I really enjoyed the day

and think all schools and colleges across the UK should get involved in teamworking tasks such as this one that the Fleet Air Arm Museum and AimHigher provided. It improved our communication skills and showed employers that we can work together under pressure."

■ **WEYMOUTH College young engineers with their trophy**



YOUNG people are not as badly behaved as many people think. That was the message from Weymouth College students whose new Respect campaign was launched last week.

Students were keen to improve what they said was the false impression many people had that young people were just trouble.

Student Union president Nathan Duncan said: "Students have a big impact on the college but they also have a big impact on the community."

"So we are wearing 'Respect' badges on and off campus to show that we respect other people while asking that they respect us."

Union officials distributed badges and leaflets and they are also visited tutorials to put their message across.

Nathan said: "Our aim is to eventually get as many students as possible wearing a Respect badge so our message travels out to as wide an area as possible."

"We hope that by giving respect we will gain it in return."

■ **DISPLAYING RESPECT: From the left are Student Union president Nathan Duncan, vice-president Richard Thorington and union equality and diversity officer Thomas White.**

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■ **UNDER PRESSURE:** Preparing food under the eagle eye of kitchen ceiling cameras.

■ **BY THE SCREEN** and plaque in Cygnets restaurant are, from the left, South Coast Catering Group's Steve Tingle, College catering and hospitality programme area manager Janine Hodson, college principal Sue Moore and SCCG's Tracy Winder and Neil Shimmin.

WEYMOUTH COLLEGE NEWS

WEYMOUTH College hospitality and catering students had a big day when they appeared on the small screen for the first time.

Video cameras started rolling just before lunchtime to give a live feed from the kitchen at the College's Cygnets restaurant through to a plasma television screen in the restaurant which all diners could see.

Their first bow wasn't a quiet lunch service either as they had a group booking for 40 people because the restaurant is open to the public each week day.

Among diners was a group from the South Coast Catering Group which sponsored the new equip-

ment. They also unveiled a plaque in the restaurant to mark the occasion.

College chef lecturer Donna Horlock said: "It is very exciting because this is using the very latest technology, not just so that customers have the best dining experience possible in the restaurant but also so we can enhance the learning experience of students."

"If cameras focus on my work area where I am demonstrating the preparation of a dish then students can watch from a distance on a screen or see it played back if they are busy working and miss something."

"We can also link with the internet and pull up video and other learning equipment as required. It also puts students under

pressure to work cleanly, neatly and tidily."

Profession cookery Level 2 student Julie Martin said: "The cameras are good for helping demonstrations and it is nice for customers to see what is going on behind the scenes. I don't feel under more pressure because after a while you forget the cameras are there."

Four themed nights will take place in the restaurant this spring. They are a Polish-Eastern European theme night tonight (Wednesday), Hell's Kitchen on March 25th, an Indian theme night on April 21st and a Casino Royale night on May 20th.

More information on these events, booking to dine at Cygnets restaurant or joining a college catering or hospitality courses is available on 01305-208981.



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Go ahead for industrial units

PLANNERS have backed detailed aspects of a scheme to build 16 industrial units at Osprey Quay, Portland.

The development already had outline planning permission and a meeting of Weymouth and Portland planning committee added backing for details including landscaping, appearance, layout and scale.

Applicant Barry Jones told councillors that the development would create or ensure the retention of 60 jobs. He said that there had already been "significant occupier interest" in 13 out of the 16 units.

Councillor Geoff Petherick said he backed the development. It would be part of the Olympic 2012 legacy, he said, and added that it was "very encouraging" that 13 out of 16 units had already been reserved because it backed up the council's economic and tourism development strategy.

Digging in for community spuds

by Harry Walton



■ DIGGING IN FOR POTATOES. From the left are Ryan Mariner, 13, Rosa McKechnie seven, and Nye Heron, six.

POTATO planting was on the menu for a project at Chapelhay Community Playgarden, Weymouth.

The main crop King Edwards were being planted under the Let's Grow scheme to benefit children. Playgarden chairman Clare Sutton explained: "It encourages local children to grow vegetables and learn where food comes from."

"At the end of the summer we will harvest everything and it will be turned in to vegetable burgers and chips for a special meal."

Potatoes were not the only thing being planted and other areas of interest included tomato, cucum-

ber, corgette and sunflower seeds.

Councillor Roger Allen, whose Weymouth East ward includes the playgar-

den said: "It is a nice community event and I have really enjoyed being involved with it."

"The playgarden is a positive influence to help transform the whole area."

The Christian Column

AS I SEE IT ...

by Geoff Treleven

THERE is one event common to us all.

Everybody born into the world has a mother. There is no other way of entering this life. So I can say without fear of contradiction; mothers are important. Without them, none of us would be here.

Mothers have a very privileged and responsible role because they can do much towards shaping the next generation. A close-knit family, with all their differences, is a joy to behold and I wish there were more of them.

All too often, family relations seem to break down and communication is strained at best. Children are not exact replicas of their parents, but are all individuals who need to become independent.

Even so, we all need to work at maintaining good relationships – even when our respective ideas differ.

There is, of course, a dual responsibility. Not only should mothers fulfil the role God has given them, but their children (of all ages) should respect the one who gave them life. In fact, honouring your parents is one of the Ten Commandments.

Surely this means much more than just giving an annual bunch of flowers! After all, mothers exist all the year round and we will not have them for ever.

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Witnesses sought to assault with a blade

A MAN suffered a badly gashed cheek after being attacked in Weymouth town centre.

Detectives are appealing for witnesses to the Great George Street area incident which happened between midnight and 12.20am on Sunday, March 7th.

The 30-year-old man was treated at Dorset County Hospital, Dorchester.

Detective Constable Neil Gilbraith, of Weymouth CID, said: "I understand that the victim, who was accompanied by a male friend, had

spent part of the night in Finns live music pub on Westham Road in the town centre.

"After leaving Finns both men may have been involved in an argument with other people – somewhere in the area of Great George Street and Westham Road – before the assault took place.

"The victim has sustained a nasty cut to his cheek which appears to have been caused by a bladed instrument of some kind."

He added that he wanted to speak to witnesses, anyone with informa-

tion about the attackers or anyone who recalls seeing or hearing an argument, possibly involving several people, in the Great George Street area during the early hours of Sunday, March 7th.

He said: "Any information, no matter how insignificant you might consider it to be, may help me to find out exactly what happened."

Anyone who can help should call police on 01305-222222 or the free and anonymous Crimestoppers line on 0800-555111.

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Guest house gets go-ahead despite residents' objections

PLANNERS have backed changing a care home into bed and breakfast accommodation despite some concerns about parking.

The scheme will see the Old Manor House in Mill Street, Weymouth, become a guest house with five bedrooms for guests and two more for the owners.

Residents said they were "vehemently opposed" to the idea which they said was "gross overdevelopment in a sensitive location" which could "blight our lives forever".

They feared parking problems, but members of Weymouth and Portland's planning and traffic committee disagreed.

Councillor Christine James said: "I cannot really see any grounds for refusing this on park-

By Harry Walton

ing. Carelessly parked cars are not the council's responsibility. They are the motorists'."

She added that she was a driving instructor and all too often parking problems in roads such as this were caused by drivers' inability to park properly.

But Councillor David Mannings said there were not enough parking spaces and he was against the scheme as was Councillor Mark Tewkesbury who said he shared residents' concerns.

Councillor Margaret Leicester replied that there would be no more of a car problem if it

became a large family home while planning manager Debbie Redding warned members that officers would be unable to sustain a refusal on parking grounds if it went to appeal.

Chairman Councillor Peter Farrell said: "The thrust of this argument is all about parking.

Personally I don't think we would have a leg to stand on if it went to appeal."

Mrs James concluded: "We can't stop people having two, three, four or five cars and we can't turn something down because people are unable to park in a parking space."

The meeting then voted 7-2 to approve the scheme, a move to refuse it having been lost 7-2.

Body in harbour

A BOATOWNER has found the clothed body of a man floating near his craft in Weymouth Harbour.

The body was discovered floating face down close to harbour pontoons near the Sailor's Return pub barely 100 metres from Town Bridge.

An eye witness said: "He was a big man, he was wearing jeans and it looked like he was taken away by an ambulance."

Police said they were alerted by a 999 call from the boatowner who comes from Bridport.

Coastguards and an ambulance crew attended the scene and police said the man's death was being treated as "unexplained".

The road at the Crown Hotel as well as St Nicholas Street and the end of Custom House Quay were sealed off while officers examined the scene and the body was recovered.

Police added that crime scene investigators also attended the scene to carry out forensic examination while an ambulance paramedic confirmed that the man was dead.

His body was taken by undertakers to a mortuary at Dorset County Hospital, Dorchester.

Police said investigations were continuing.

The dead man has since been named as Glyn Watkins.

Table top sale

DOGS will benefit from a table top sale at Wyke Memorial Hall, Weymouth, on March 20th.

The event in aid of Rushton Dog Rescue, Weymouth, will allow people to pay £5 for a table top on which they can offer any item they wish to sell.

Rushton owner Cindi McNeil-Regan said: "We hope to sell as many table top spaces we can because it is all for such a good cause.

"We rescue and rehome unwanted dogs from all over south and west Dorset including Weymouth, Portland, Dorchester, Bridport, Beaminstor and Lyme Regis.

"All this costs money so this event will help pay some of our spaying and neutering fees which are our main expense.

"All proceeds will go to help our cause and we would be very grateful for any donation of items for the table top sale. There will also be a cake stall and refreshments."

Rushton is due to become a registered charity this year and Cindi hopes to attract volunteers to help her with her work.

Anyone who would like to book a table top or become a volunteer can contact Cindi on 01305-773671 while anyone who would like to make a donation to the event such as books, bric-a-brac, toiletries or jewellery but not clothes can contact Samantha Brook on 01305-772915.



■ WATERSIDE Weymouth Community Forum held a jumble sale at Park Church Community Centre to boost its funds.

Forum committee member Councillor Joy Stanley (pictured) said: "It has been a wonderful response by our local people who were queuing out into the street to get in here today.

"The money we raised is very important to us because it helps us run the Forum and pay our rent.

"It also helps us to run several groups from bowling to card making."



■ RESIDENTS of the Swannery Court apartments in Weymouth have been shown a film and given a talk on fire safety.

The visit by Dorset Fire and Rescue Service came after a small fire at the site off Commercial Road.

The talk was given by firefighters James Stockley (pictured) and Roger Sarginson.

Firefighter Sarginson said: "This talk follows a fire involving a toaster in an apartment here.

"No one was hurt but our response to an incident such as this is to go along and give advice on fire safety to try and ensure that it doesn't happen again.

"We have a new task team in Weymouth and anyone who would like advice on home fire safety can call us on 01305-750596."

Swannery Court manager Jeremy Harrison said: "Fire service talks like this are helpful to inform residents on how to protect themselves from fire."

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Weymouth Matters

A personal View by HARRY WALTON

Too much of a good thing?

CHARITY does pretty well from Weymouth and Portland which has a good reputation for supporting needy causes.

That said, I have been approached by a number of people recently complaining that charity is getting a bit too needy.

Said people cite their letter boxes being filled not by the occasional charity bag request for donations of books, bric-a-brac or clothes but by as many as three such bags in barely a week.

I'm sure that most people can uncover something they can donate – I tend to give books I no longer want – but simple logic dictates that personal circumstances are unlikely to yield a fund of such items in much less than a couple of months never mind a few days.

So whatever swells one charity bag is unlikely to be available for the second and to be non-existent for the third over such a short space of time.

Recession hits everyone but charity should bear in mind that if it wants consistent returns then too many requests could kill the public goose which lays the charity golden eggs.

Michael Palin please take note

I'VE been thinking about contacting film and television star Michael Palin about doing a new series.

Most people know about the roadworks which for weeks reduced Chickerell Road to a 50-50 route with first one way open to cars and then the other.

Further transport treasure has emerged and Mr Palin could find rich pickings chronicling diversions for

the town end of the route because it is now shut off entirely near the old railway bridge.

All is not lost because Weymouth and Portland should surely be able to harvest a coin or two from a Palin travel special, perhaps entitled "Around Weymouth In 80 Minutes".

Of course we'd have to take a conservative approach since anyone using

such local routes would clearly take far more than 80 minutes to reach St Thomas Street.

First travellers have to negotiate Check Point Chickerell and all the red tape signs and instructions associated with drivers being forced away from the direct route into town and on to Abbotsbury Road.

Threading a way down the pothole rattle-trap route to

the Rock pub can take ages with broken springs and suspension and then there are the vehicle jams.

Traffic funneled into this one outlet builds up worse than debts at a premier league football club, so Mr Palin would have plenty of time to round his filming off with a few anecdotes about Olympic Transport Plans and a nice colour feature insert on car clamping.

Orangutans on Portland

YOU don't see an orangutan walking around much on Portland so it was perhaps inevitable that this one drew a few interesting comments.

The ape in question was a man in a monkey suit taking part in a protest march against a palm oil energy plant which is due to be built on the island.

One of protestors' concerns is the impact palm oil production has on rainforests which are the dwindling home of orangutans, hence the suit.

A serious subject but one which children can always produce a lighter side for.

The march was in full swing when it went past a mother and her little daughter who was delighted to see something so unusual as an orangutan walking past her in the street.

She chimed out: "Look Mummy, a gorilla!"

There then followed a hasty explanation about orangutans!

Promenaders beware the swift uppercut!

WE are getting near the prom season when teenagers dress up in all their finery to celebrate the end of their GCSE stay at school.

It is a very important time and parents have to pull out all the stops to ensure that their son or daughter gets everything they need for the big day.

My wife and I have been on various trips for our daughter, so imagine my delight when I came across a sign displayed

by one prom dress outlet which opened up possibilities for the event that I had never dreamed of.

It said that among facilities provided was "a full boxing service".

Now a punch-up isn't the first thing that springs to mind at a prom event, but times move on and maybe I'd missed something.

Perhaps to a list of dress, shoes and bag should be added "gum shield" to help

prevent lovely features being battered to a Prom pulp.

I discussed the idea with my wife only to get a withering response that the service referred to placing new prom dresses in sturdy containers to protect their material.

How boring! I far preferred the idea of "Seconds out!", "No punching in the clinches" and glittering couples suddenly swopping uppercuts!



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■ COME AND JOIN US: Weybay WI members Sandra Jones, Barbara Smith, Jo Skinner and Rose Hansford celebrate plans for the branch's first meeting.

Come and join us!

Vibrant new WI branch launches in Weymouth

WEYMOUTH'S latest women's institute is to hold its first meeting next Wednesday.

The March 17th event at Barracuda in St Thomas Street will launch the newly-founded Weybay WI covering the Weymouth town and bay area.

The branch is open to local women of all ages and a busy programme is planned of social events and speakers to offer members a chance to learn new skills, take part in a variety of activities and to campaign on both national and local issues.

Members will also join the 205,000

by Harry Walton

women who belong to the National Federation of Women's Institutes, the largest voluntary organisation for women in the UK.

Weybay WI founder and president Sandra Jones said: "Our first meeting is open to anyone who wants to join or even just meet us and we will also be revealing our future plans for the club."

"We differ from traditional institutes as we are surrounded by sea, sand and, sometimes even sun. We

hope that our offer will reflect Weymouth's vibrant personality."

"The managers at Barracuda have kindly agreed to let us hold the meeting in the upstairs bar and we hope that the atmosphere will get us off to a good start, despite not being their usual crowd!"

The launch event starts at 7.30pm and anyone interested in joining Weybay WI should contact president, Sandra Jones, on 07515-029606.

Taking a chance at the library

THERE was a bit of mystery for readers to sample when they visited Dorset libraries celebrating World Book Day.

Sites across the county including libraries at Weymouth, Bridport and Dorchester celebrated the written word by running a lucky dip style promotion. Library visitors were challenged to take a chance and choose a white envelope containing an unknown book.

Inside could be anything from adventure, family stories and romantic fiction to crime, thrillers, science fiction or popular non-fiction.

Weymouth Library assistant Margaret Young said: "The Take a Chance promotion offered a book hidden in a white envelope which could be anything from romance to a thriller."

"It certainly intrigued people and several envelopes were taken. It didn't cost anything and people could bring them back if they opened the envelope, found they didn't like the book and wanted something different."

"The event has also been a good way of drawing attention to other library services we have available."



■ WEYMOUTH Library assistant Margaret Young with one of the mystery envelopes on World Book Day.

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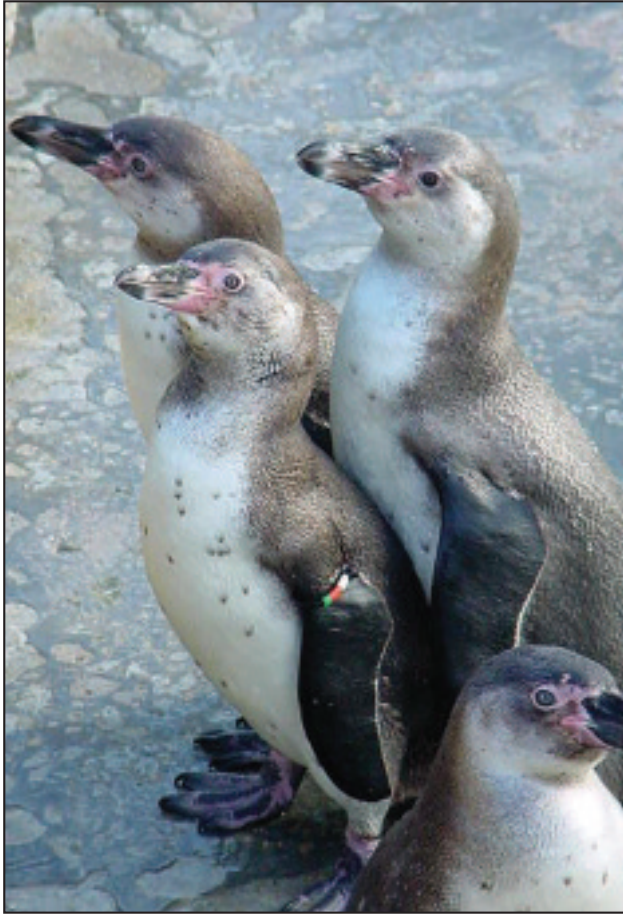
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WEYMOUTH Sea Life Park is saying a fond farewell to four of its baby penguin chicks.

They are due to be relocated to Gweek Sea Life Centre to find pre-mating partners at the end of March.

Displays supervisor Fiona Smith said: "All of our mature penguins have already paired off and we don't want to let the younger ones interbreed with each other. "It is not good for their gene pool, so now they are old enough to leave their parents we are moving them on, so they can be paired off at Gweek Sea Life Centre to help with their breeding program."

Oak and Ash, the two males aged eight months and Olive and Elm, the two one-year-old females are Humboldt Penguins, a breed from South America which is on endangered species list. Their current

population in the wild is estimated to be as little as 3,000-12,000.

Fiona said: "Their low numbers are unfortunately due to over-fishing and the destruction of their preferred nesting ground, guano, which has been over-exploited over the years.

"So breeding programs such as ours have been set up to help sustain the number of these quirky creatures.

"Ours has been particularly successful in the past year as we saw the birth of four baby chicks in 2009, which is the most success we've ever had at one time. We have already seen four eggs laid this year.

"The penguins' high birth rate is excellent as it signals that they are happy and settled in their environment. If they were not happy they would not breed."

1,000 facts for 1,000 days

MORE fascinating information about Dorset has emerged in the March round of 1,000 Facts for 1,000 Days.

This project was launched under Dorset's Olympic brand as part of the countdown to the Olympic Games and Paralympic Games with one fact for every one of the 1,000 days leading up to the events.

Facts for this month includes Fact 143 from Roy Griffiths of Weymouth for March 22nd when there will be 858 days to go.

He revealed that the architect of St Paul's Cathedral in London, Sir Christopher Wren, was elected MP for Melcombe Regis, Weymouth, in 1702.

Another snippet comes from Stuart Morris of Portland who provides Fact 145 for March 24th when there will be 856 days to go.

He said that Brunel's steamship Great Eastern was scheduled to operate from Portland across the Atlantic but in 1859 a funnel was blown off by an explosion. Brunel died while his huge ship was under repair in Portland Harbour.

St John's Primary School, Weymouth, provided Fact 152 for March 31st when there will be 145 days to go by revealing that Dorset has examples of 85 per cent of all British mammals and 90 per cent of birds.

FROM the left are Oak, Ash, Olive and Elm waiting to be fed.



ENJOYING the new paint look are, from the left, Mrs Lydia Beever, Ms Katie Parker-Coates, Sally Leslie and Tom Beever.

Smart new paint job

WEYMOUTH and Portland Housing residents have been splashing on the paint.

Those living in the block all met one day and Emmadale Close resident Tom Beever said: "We got talking and decided that the entry hall was looking a little sad and could do with a makeover.

"We decided to ask our landlord, Weymouth and Portland Housing, if we could paint the communal areas outside our apartments."

Housing officer, Sally Leslie, encouraged them and said: "I thought it was a brilliant idea! Residents take more care of their surroundings if they feel it is a place of their own.

"They are all very close and get on really well. They are really proud of their block and decided they could make a difference."

Sally arranged for the residents to be

given colour charts, so they could choose their own colours. WPH then bought the paint and brushes. Admiring his handiwork, Tom said: "I don't think we did a bad job at all

"It used to look worn and now it's not. We chose the colours and it doesn't feel like someone else's property now."

The residents also clubbed together and brightened up the communal area by adding window boxes at their own expense.

WPH housing manager Christian Blackbeard said: "People need to come out from behind their doors and get involved. If it's outside your door, it's to do with you.

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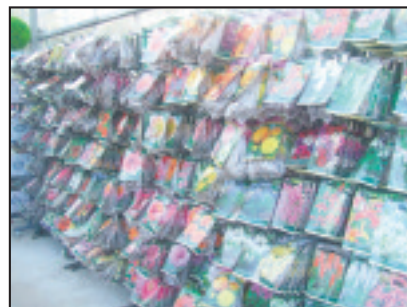
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In 1989 Paul's parents decided to hand the reins over to their son to take a well deserved retirement and now Paul carries on the family business into its third decade with the help of his son Darren, daughter Holly and finance Joanne Richards. Over the past 32 years the hotel has gained an excellent reputation for its cuisine and fine service, which today is being produced and served by their team of quality chefs, Executive Chef Peter Storssel, Head Chef Gavin Rayner and First Com-

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House Hotel so why not pay Haddon House a visit. You will not be dissatisfied.

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'There's a lot of love for puppetry'

AFTER eight years in his day job Marc Parrett decided he had delivered his last letter and made the leap from postman to puppeteer.

Despite the early starts, being a postman appealed to Marc as it left his days free to create.

Marc refers to this time of his life as his "apprenticeship" as he tried to find the right outlet for his creativity. Dreams of becoming an animator were quashed after long weekends spent working on seconds of material, as were attempts at sculpting and circus skills. Through trial and error Marc eventually found the right path for him.

"I've always had this sense of performing and also for visual imagery so puppetry was the perfect thing for me as it combines the two," he said.

"Since discovering it I have been solidly experimenting with puppetry and most of it is self-taught. I've had some tuition from some great people but it's really a

PUPPETEER MARC PARRETT moved to Bridport two-years-ago to join the hub of creative artists on the St Michael's trading estate. He is the Artistic Director for his production company "Stuff and Nonsense" and currently has two shows on national tours. This summer he plans to launch his second company and establish a puppet theatre in the town. He spoke to TOM GLOVER this week about why he doesn't regret taking the leap into the world of puppets.

journey of discovery. You know when it works and when it doesn't."

As his reputation grew Marc plucked up the courage and made the move into puppetry full time.

Years of hard work followed with long periods baron of work and money but his persistence paid off. Today Marc runs his own company "Stuff and Nonsense" which currently has two shows on national tours.

Following a successful debut tour "The Little Red Hen" has been redesigned in double its original size for a UK tour and his latest show "Across the Deep Blue Sea" kicked off its own tour last week.

"The tour started in Morden and we have 36 dates planned with two

or three shows a week," he said.

"It is the story of a little man in a homemade boat out in the middle of the sea. He's adrift but is actually quite happy in the middle of the sea having these adventures. He would quite like someone to talk to though as it sometimes gets a bit scary as there are lots of storms. There's a lovely puppet sequence with him, a big octopus and a giant whale that sings Frank Sinatra."

If you think of puppets you probably conjure up images of Punch and Judy at the seaside or Rod Hull and Emu on the TV but Marc has almost reinvented the term with his work.

"I'm sort of a renegade puppeteer," he explains. "I'm not your traditional puppeteer with

dancing kiwis and marching pints of beer.

One project that stands out among the rest was his work on the stage production of "We're Going on a Bear Hunt" which appeared in London's West End.

"I had to build a nine foot bear puppet for it, which was an astonishing thing. I was originally in the show and then it sort of got bought up and went off touring without me. Every now and again I go and fix the puppets as they do get quite a battering. The poor puppets, you make them look all lovely and they go off and the actors trash them and you have to give them new arms and things.

"You do sort of feel for them a bit. Sometimes I make puppets for people and I'm sad to see them go," he said.

Marc has only lived in Bridport for two years but was instantly inspired by the community around him. After developers bought his workshop in Bristol he joined the hub of artists at St Michael's Trading Estate.

Marc's enthusiasm for Bridport is no more prevalent than in his latest project.

This summer Marc plans to launch "The Bridport Puppet Theatre Company" and has his eyes set on a building in the town to turn into a venue solely used for puppetry.

"We are looking at several places around town, particularly the old Lyric Theatre and Dance School. We are fundraising at the moment to try and buy a building and convert it into this lovely space for puppetry," he said.

"We are talking to circus people about doing aerial puppetry, which is something that has not been seen much in this country or anywhere as far as I'm aware. My partner Niki McCretton has been experimenting with puppetry and dance with one of the youth dance shows at the arts centre and it was really well received.

"There's a sense that there's some great puppet work happening in this town and every time we do shows here people are so positive about it. I really think Bridport is the place for a puppet theatre. There's a lot of love for puppetry."

Marc admits the move from postman to puppeteer wasn't easy but

he doesn't regret his decision.

"I have been doing it now for over 15 years and I love it. I'm a fully-grown man who gets to play with toys all day, it's a dream come true," he explains.

"There are things I could have said yes to but there are equally some things I did say yes to and it was absolutely the right thing to do.

"It's been a hard journey and there have been whole years when I've had virtually no money but I just had to keep going with it because I knew I was on the right course.

"I would never have traded it in, as long as I have got enough to live on and I've got some space to make something I'm happy."

"I just love my work and I'm really passionate about it. It goes beyond just being interested and it's almost one of those compulsion things, it is a slight affliction but it's a joyous one and I'm not really fighting it."

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Wellworths, one year on

■ It hardly seems possible that one year has passed since South Street descended into chaos with the arrival of DJ Chris Evans and the opening of the new Wellworths store in Dorchester. Manager Claire Robertson and her staff have silenced any critics and doom-mongers there may have been by riding out the recession, still smiling and still in business.

Claire is more than pleased with the way Wellworths first year of trading has gone and is happy with the sales figures she and

her team have achieved. This was a massive undertaking for a young lady well-versed in managing a store but very much new to "going it alone." However, she was fortunate in still having the loyalty and support of her former Woolworths colleagues, many of whom still work with her today.

"I have learnt so much over the past twelve months in so many different fields, and this learning curve continues even now. I make a point of listening to both staff and customers, reacting to the local market and acting on it whenever possible. The staff, too, enjoy more freedom to order merchandise they know is going to sell, and have more control over supply and demand. They know what the people of Dorchester want, and do their very best to meet their needs."

Claire has worked very hard to make this venture work, but is the first to acknowledge she could not have done so without the

hard work carried out on the shop floor. Their backing has been second to none, and their experience a real asset to Wellworths. Christmas was hectic, a busy but enjoyable time, in stark contrast to the previous year and the demise of Woolworths. Knowing you have a job to come back to after the festive season makes all the difference. And this Christmas, says Claire, will be bigger, brighter and better. Any mistakes made last year will be put right, and any criticism, positive or otherwise, will be taken on board.

Community involvement is high on her list of priorities, although Claire admits it is not always possible to grant the countless requests she receives from people. Local events are supported whenever possible, and Wellworths continues to back the former Woolworths charity Kids First and their aim to bring equipment that is both educational and fun into children's playgrounds. Tourists, too, still flock to

Wellworths to see for themselves the phenomena that caused so much media interest twelve months ago. New ranges are gradually being introduced, including the much-needed children's clothing, and Claire remains open to any new ideas or suggestions from her customers.

Thursday, 11th March will see Wellworths celebrating their first birthday. Wessex FM will be broadcasting from the store from 9.00am, and there will be special promotions running throughout the day as a special thank you to all their loyal customers. It has been a great first year for Claire and her staff, and she remains optimistic for the future. "There is still much to learn and more we can achieve, but I am confident with the staff I have working with me that we can move forward with confidence and become more and more successful. And knowing Claire and her wonderful workforce I have no reason to doubt that is exactly what they will do."



▲ Wellworths manager Claire Robertson

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Derek is a chef and prepares most of the food which he tries to source from local farms and producers in the country. All of the cakes and scones are baked fresh every morning, and they serve good, hearty breakfasts from 7.30am to 10.00am.

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Franco himself hails from the south-western tip of Sicily, a region renowned for its robust, fresh food; his extensive menu features recipes handed down from his mother and other relatives, as well as more traditional Italian food and some modern dishes devised by himself, with much of the food locally sourced.

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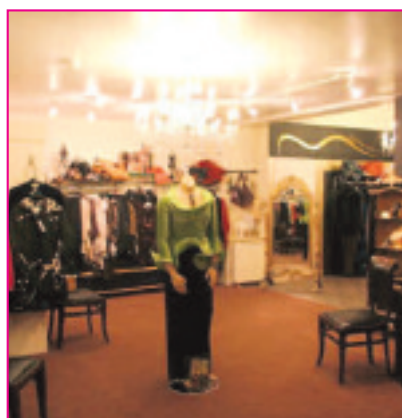


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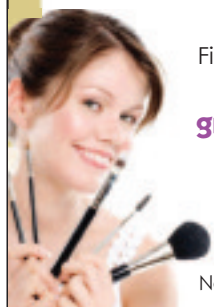
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View 2 Music

Life after Ian

WHEN I mentioned to a friend that I was going to see the Blockheads, their response was somewhere along the lines of, "I don't see the point without Ian Dury."

And, to be honest, I thought they'd probably be right.

But as it turned out, a Blockheads without Ian is definitely better than no Blockheads at all.

The band have been getting plenty of press attention lately thanks to the release of the film *Sex & Drugs & Rock & Roll*, a biopic of Ian Dury starring Andy Serkis in the lead role (a part for which he received a BAFTA nomination for best actor).

Of course, Dury wasn't just an important part of the band; basically, he was the band. When he died (ten years ago this month) it must have been a difficult decision for the rest of the group to continue.

After completing a tribute album to their former bandleader, they've gone on to record two albums of new material, with Dury's friend and minder Derek 'The Draw' Hussey stepping up to vocal duties. He's also writing songs with long-term band member Chas Jankel, who co-wrote many of the group's biggest hits with Dury.

I returned to the Phoenix Arts Centre on Saturday night (and this week, having a lift there and back, didn't have to worry about missing that stupidly early last train back to Axminster!) to catch this Dury-less Blockheads line-up. And what a revelation.

No endless eulogies about Ian. Not a hint of desperate tribute act or of a band that's lost its great leader. Just a bunch of guys playing tunes they know inside out and having an absolute blast in the process. The best party band I've seen in a long while.

And it's not a complete nostalgia fest either, with a number of the new tunes slotting in easily into a hits-packed setlist. Both the performance and the new songs were far better than they had any right to be.

Perhaps the only disappointment was the non-appearance of Phill Jupitus, who has sporadically appeared on stage with the band since the death of Ian Dury. Apart from that, no complaints whatsoever.

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TALKING of Phill Jupitus, the big man has been one of many famous names to speak out against the BBC's plans to close their 6 Music radio station.

Writing for the *The Guardian*, Jupitus said closing the station would be "an act of cultural vandalism" and "a slap in the face to the thousands of licence payers."

I couldn't agree with him more. BBC 6 Music is one of the very few reasons to have a DAB radio (because, let's face it, the sound quality isn't much different to that of FM).

They play new music that, whilst sometimes challenging, is always worth listening to. Which is a lot more that can be said for the dross that fills up Radio 1's playlists these days.

Radio 6 isn't scared of playing the odd classic either, but you're more likely to hear some lost gem you'd forgotten about than some stale old hit you've heard a billion times before on, say, Radio 2.

Erstwhile Pulp frontman and current 6 Music DJ, Jarvis Cocker, has also spoken out against the Beeb's plans. He told *The Guardian*: "The BBC keeps talking about the demographic, and that's very patronising. You don't want to just hear music aimed at you. You want to hear different things. Radio 6 is not the most popular radio station out there, but it has a decent listenership."

If the BBC needs to make cuts, fine, but leave 6 Music alone! How about - turning from radio to TV, if I may - scrapping original programming on BBC Three and just showing back-to-back episodes of *Family Guy* and *American Dad* (the only shows worth watching on that station) instead? There you go, problem solved!

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GREAT news for Beatles fans with the announcement of a series of huge shows this summer featuring Sir Paul McCartney.

Macca plays Glasgow's Hampden Park on June 20th, Cardiff's Millennium Stadium on June 26th and London's Hyde Park on June 27th.

His first UK festival appearance since Glastonbury in 2004 has also been confirmed. McCartney will headline the final night of the Isle Of Wight Festival on June 13th. Get your tickets before it's too late!

by James Coles



BORN TO BE A BLOCKHEAD | Ian Dury may be ten years gone but his old band are keeping his songs alive

From Scotland with Love

RENOWNED Scottish performing group Company Chordelia is making a visit to Lyme Regis one of just two performances in England this spring. Their show *Les Amoureux* is coming to the Marine Theatre on Friday, March 26th. An acclaimed dance, opera, and theatre performance, *Les Amoureux* (The Lovers), is based around Angela Carter's story *The Lady of The House of Love*.

In her only garment, a faded, tattered once-wedding dress with sunglasses to shield her from the light, the Countess, neither alive nor dead, is a reluctant huntress, condemned forever to slake a thirst that will not let her rest. She turns over a tarot card. For the first time ever, she has drawn *Les Amoureux*. Her keeper and the shadows of her domain bear witness to the arrival of the handsome young soldier...

Les Amoureux is a story of love, life and death, a twisted Sleeping Beauty with the faded opulent feel of a Gothic fantasy and a strong Eastern European quality. Combining dance and physical theatre with opera, voice and design, *Les Amoureux* is a sensual tale of purity and damage, creating a world where time stops and never ends, expressed through physical grace, explosive, characterful movement, whispers, discord, and beautiful, soaring singing.

Les Amoureux is directed and choreographed by Chordelia's Artistic Director, Kally Lloyd-Jones. She recently directed Katya Kabanova for Scottish Opera and was Movement Director/Choreographer for Scottish Opera as well as the Royal Scottish Academy of Music and Drama. The cast is made up of Kally Lloyd-Jones, Linda Duncan McLaughlin, Amelia Cardwell, Freya Jeffs and opera singer, Damian Thantrey, who is currently performing in *A Little Night Music* at the Théâtre du Châtelet, Paris and recently sang in Scottish Opera's *Die Fledermaus* and *A Night at the Chinese Opera*.

The tour includes Dundee, Edinburgh, Peebles, Falkirk, Cumbernauld, Dunfermline, St Andrews, Stornoway...and Lyme Regis.

Les Amoureux is at 7.30pm on Friday, March 26th at the Marine Theatre. Tickets cost £10, available from Lyme Regis Tourist Information Centre on 01297 442138, online at www.marinetheatre.org.uk or on the door.



A scene from *Les Amoureux*
(Photo by Eamonn McGoldrick)

Poetry for Pleasure

by Frank McGarry

*You too, my mother, read my rhymes
For love of unforgotten times,
And you may chance to hear once more
The little feet along the floor.*

That verse was written by Robert Louis Stevenson, one of a number of poets who have written poems to their mothers, or about their mothers. Christina Rossetti wrote this for her mother, although it was clearly for her birthday and not for Mothering Sunday.

To My Mother

*Today's your natal day;
Sweet flowers I bring:
Mother, accept I pray
My offering.*

*And may you happy live,
And long us bless;
Receiving as you give
Great happiness.*

The next poem is from the American feminist, Edna St. Vincent Mallay, who lived it up in the 'Roaring Twenties'. It confirms, perhaps, the Ted Hughes comment that "Poetry is a way of talking to your loved ones when it is too late."

The courage that my mother had

*The courage that my mother had
Went with her, and is with her still:
Rock from New England quarried;
Now granite in a granite hill.*

*The golden brooch my mother wore
She left behind for me to wear;
I have no thing I treasure more:
Yet, it is something I could spare.*

*Oh, if instead she'd left to me
The thing she took into the grave! –
That courage like a rock, which she
Has no more need of, and I have.*

Of course, as we all know, not all mothers receive the love and care that they deserve. Not every mum will receive a Mothering Sunday card with flowers this year. The author of the following poem is unknown so we are left to wonder whether the writer was an empathetic observer of people, or perhaps a lonely, unappreciated old mother.

The Old Mother

*Poor old lady, set her aside –
Her children are grown and her work is done;
True, in their service, her locks turned gray,
But shove her away, unsought, alone.*

Proposed Weymouth Relief Road sculpture on show at Bridport Arts Centre

A SCALE model of a proposed sculpture to sited either side of the new Weymouth Relief Road has gone on show for the first time. It has been put on display at Bridport Arts Centre as part of Sherborne House Arts Earthscapes exhibition.

The work by sculptor Richard Harris shows some 28 boulders gradually rising on steel poles reaching to 3m (10ft) above the Southdown Ridge.

All the rocks – weighing between one and eight tonnes – are sourced from the 1.6m tonnes of material moved from the site where work on the road has been taking place.

If it gets the go-ahead the sculpture will be on both sides of the road and will curve off up the slopes of the cutting following the natural geological strata.

The excavated rocks are between 160 and 65 million years old and started being formed in what would have been a tropical lagoon. The concretions are formed around small matter such as a leaf or a fossil and steadily build up over millions of years solidifying by chemical processes.

Mr Harris said: "I was asked to consider the landscape, context of the whole road and having worked on several proposals for different sites – this is the idea that I feel is the strongest and most appropriate."

"Some of the geology has been exposed by the cutting but will eventually become less visible as the grass grows."

"This proposal puts the geology back where it was – but visible – continuing up above the hill indicating where it would have been before it was weathered away."

Mr Harris said he had been involved with the project since January last year making many visits to the site and consulting with geologists.

He said: "This idea came in the late summer and only came about when the work had started and the stones had been revealed."

"The heavier stones will rise up from the ground and will get progressively smaller as they run through the air to the top of the slope."

"What I am trying to do is give an inspiring image as people come into Weymouth and to reveal the geology in a dramatic way."

The idea of incorporating art in relation to the road was initially proposed in the Weymouth and Portland Commissioning Plan for 2012.

It stated that public art could be used to make the £87m road – which is due to open in Spring next year – more attractive for drivers.

The work is being supported by Arts Council South West and Dorset County Council.

Mr Harris is now working with Skanska, the contractors, Dorset County Council and his own engineers to develop the project.

His designs are among several works on display at Bridport Arts Centre as part of the exhibition. Others include Kate Raggett's design, and films by Mariele Neudecker. The exhibition runs until March 27th. Any further questions contact Richard Harris on 01497 851221, or Tony Bonnici at BAC on 07790020579.



*Give her a home for decency's sake,
In some back room, far out of the way,
Where her tremulous voice cannot be heard –
It might check your mirth when you would be gay.*

*Strive to forget how she toiled for you
And cradled you oft on her loving breast –
Told you stories and joined your play,
Many an hour when she needed rest.*

*No matter for that – huddle her off;
Your friends might wince at her witty jest;
She is too old-fashioned, and speaks so plain –
Get her out of the way of the coming guest.*

*Once you valued her cheerful voice,
Her hearty laugh and her merry song;
But to ears polite they are quite too loud –
Her jokes too sharp, her tales too long.*

*So, poor old lady, hustle her off –
In her cheerless room let her sit alone;
She must not meet with your guests tonight,
For her children are grown and her work is done.*

If you have a short poem of your own that you would like to share with our readers please send it to "Poetry for Pleasure," Lyme Media & Events Ltd., St Michael's Business Centre, Lyme Regis, Dorset, DT7 3QF. Or e-mail it to us at: pemedia@pemedia.co.uk

NOT JUST A YES MAN

The 'thinking man's guitarist' **Steve Howe** plays at the Palace

FOR nearly 40 years, Steve Howe has been at the forefront of rock music as a model and inspiration for other guitarists and musicians, perhaps best known as a member of the progressive rock group 'Yes' and latterly in the reformed 'Asia'.

The Steve Howe Trio, with son Dylan Howe - rightly acclaimed as one of the best drummers of his gen-



eration - and keyboard maestro Ross Stanley on Hammond organ, is in marked contrast to his previous work and a truly masterful combination.

Drawing on their love of jazz, blues and country the 'Steve Howe Trio' create a friendly tension between Steve Howe compositions, Yes hits and the hard bop jazz of Dylan Howe and Ross Stanley. They'll be playing music from Kenny Burrell, Jimmy Smith and Roland Kirk as well as new arrangements of Steve's original compositions and specially selected Yes classics.

The A-Z of Rock Guitarists crowned Howe 'the thinking man's guitar hero' whilst Frank Zappa praised Howe 'I really like the guitar solo on 'Claramount Lake' it's terrific'.

The Steve Howe Trio will be performing at the Electric Palace on Sunday 21st March at 7.30pm. Tickets are £12 for members / £15 standard tickets and can be purchased from the Electric Palace Box Office on 01308 428354.

Electric Easter Double Bill

Australian Pink Floyd and Hazel O'Connor both set to appear

THE Electric Palace in Bridport is putting on an amazing double bill for the Easter Bank Holiday weekend with the UK Pink Floyd and legendary Hazel O'Connor.

The weekend kicks off on Thursday, April 1st with the UK Pink Floyd (formerly Great Gig in the Sky). When nine musicians come together to recreate the UK's ultimate and most authentic Pink Floyd show, featuring previously unseen footage, and using state of the art sound and visuals. Covering the highlights of the bands amazing 40 year career the show features the classic album 'Dark Side Of The Moon' played in its entirety, and featuring the incredible voice of Jess Upton.

Jess Upton says "We first performed about 15 years ago, at a sell out show at the Weymouth Pavilion. We were all re-

ally big fans of the band, with most of us having seen them at some point. It started out as something that we just all really wanted to do for fun, and then we thought why not make a show out of it? We've been gigging pretty much non-stop since then - all over the UK and over to Europe as well. We've played the Electric Palace for three years running now, and it's such a brilliant venue for the show. We've been looking forward to it all year!!"

On Friday, April 2nd, Hazel O'Connor returns for her second gig at the Palace with her brand new show with the Bluja Project featuring Clare Hirst on saxophone and Sarah Fisher on piano. Hazel O'Connor became famous in the 1980s when she toured with Duran Duran and then went on to star in the movie 'Breaking Glass'.



Hazel O'Connor and the Bluja Project

The Times recently reviewed O'Connor, praising 'the expressive power of her singing, songwriting craft and warm strong personality'. The superb blend of the three voices adds a sweet touch of class to their vibrant performance. Be one of the first

to catch this stunning new line-up, who have just returned, from a series of sell-out shows, in France.

Tickets are on sale now for both shows from Bridport Tourist Information Centre on 01308 424901.

Dorset County Museum

COME and support the fundraising efforts being made to buy a collection of rare Thomas Hardy Manuscripts and prevent them from being sold overseas. On Friday, arch 12th at 7.30pm The New Hardy Players are presenting a special evening of entertainment at the Museum as their contribution towards the fund. As the manuscripts include some detailed accounts of Thomas Hardy and his work with the original Hardy Players, the event will be particularly poignant and Norrie Woodhall, the sole survivor of the original Hardy Players, will be taking part in the evening, health permitting. The event, entitled Hardy's Night: Chapter and Verse, will include poetry, prose, music and humour together with an auction of unique Hardy items and collectibles. Tickets cost £12.50 and include Dorset apple cake and apple cider punch.

A new exhibition has opened at Dorset County Museum which runs until April 24th. Entitled Dorset Footprint, it showcases recent works by Dutch artist, Peter Ursem who has won wide acclaim for his distinctive woodcuts, lino cuts and woodengravings of the Dorset landscape. Sales of Peter's work are already going well so if you would like to acquire a beautiful piece of Dorset-related art, come along before April 24th. Entry is free.

For those interested in the UK's amazing marine environments, there will be a presentation entitled Our Changing Seas on Friday, March 26th at 7.30pm. Emma Rance, Marine Officer of the Dorset Wildlife Trust, will be talking about how our seas and sea life have changed in the last few centuries. Tickets for this talk cost £5 and are available now from the Museum.

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View 2 TV

Cowell wants more X-Factor funding

CORONATION Street's most endearing if not quirky couple, Roy and Hayley, are set to get married this Christmas.

The pair will finally make it up the aisle in December as part of the soap's 50th anniversary celebrations, according to reports. Roy (David Neilson) and Hayley (Julie Hesmondhalgh) previously had their relationship blessed in 1999 - but were not able to marry due to legal restrictions on transsexual unions.

The couple will now take advantage of laws passed in 2004 to make their marriage official. But in true Corrie style things won't run smoothly in the run-up to the couple's wedding as Roy wants a low-budget registry office ceremony, while Hayley wants to celebrate in style.

"Thankfully, Roy relents after Hayley puts the pressure on and it's a day for all the street's residents to celebrate," a source said this week.

Rumour has it that on/off couple Peter Barlow (Chris Gascoyne) and Leanne Battersby (Jane Danson) will also tie the knot as part of the



GETTING HITCHED | Roy and Hayley are set to marry at last

show's 50th anniversary storylines.

REPORTS this week claim that Simon Cowell is demanding more cash from ITV ahead of the next series of X Factor.

Cowell is said to want a whopping £3 million extra for the show. He is set to sit down with ITV bosses at his LA home to negotiate a new deal, which could see the channel spend £300,000 extra on each of the 10 live shows this year. A source said: "Simon has said he will sign but the details must be right. It's about making the show better each year."

"Last year, around £1.7million was spent each weekend and he thinks the best way of persuading ITV to give him £2million a week to make the show is to present a new plan with ideas that will blow them away."

Producer Richard Holloway has already revealed that "major changes" to the show - including cast and the show's format - are to be discussed. "We've got some interesting production elements planned," he told Broadcast magazine. "We're really trying to move it on this year so people will notice the change. "There will always be a talent show, you just have to keep ahead of the game." ITV was unavailable for comment.



CASH COWELL | The X-Factor supremo wants more money to spend on the show

BRITISH National Party leader Nick Griffin is set to return to the BBC following his controversial appearance on Question Time last year.

The reviled politician will appear as part of the broadcaster's coverage of the general election this spring. The Beeb has announced plans to follow the TV debate between major party leaders Gordon Brown, David Cameron and Nick Clegg with a 'minor parties debate'. In a statement published on the BBC website, chief political advisor Ric Bailey said: "There will be arrangements in the programming around the BBC debate, a week before polling day, to ensure other parties which have demonstrated they have some electoral support - UKIP, the Green Party and the BNP - will have their say." Though ITV and Sky will also air live debates, it has not yet been announced whether they will also make room in their schedules for a similar arrangement.

Griffin's deputy Simon Darby also revealed the BBC's plan to feature the far right group in an edition of Panorama in the next few months. But, while some see the move as a triumph, others are angry. A spokesman for anti-facist group Searchlight condemned the plan, saying: "These are supposed to be serious debates allowing people to make an informed choice. Nick Griffin has no place there."

by Philip Evans

The story of Winston's wife 'My Darling Clemmie'

MOVING PORTRAYAL | Rohan McCullough as Clemmie Churchill



THE highly talented actress Rohan McCullough will be returning to the Art-sreach circuit to perform her gripping solo play, 'My Darling Clemmie', following its success in the autumn.

This is the remarkable, moving and highly entertaining story of the woman who married one of the truly great figures of the 20th century: Sir Winston Churchill. They say that 'behind every great man is a great woman', and here Rohan will enthral audiences with the story of life as the wartime Prime Minister's loyal wife.

The Churchills' marriage, in spite of the stresses of a public life, was a close and affectionate one, and Winston was known to have quoted "My most brilliant achievement was my ability to persuade my wife to marry me".

The Churchill family is linked to the Digby family of Dorset. The first Sir Winston Churchill lived in Minterne Magna in the 17th century, and much later WW2 leader Winston Spencer Churchill (then First Lord of the Admiralty) came to this seat of the aristocratic Digby family in 1939.

Rohan McCullough is a highly experienced actress both on stage and screen. Her most notable success has been with her one-woman shows - Testament of Youth, The Towers of Trebizond, and The Tale of Beatrix Potter - which she has performed worldwide. Rohan performed 'Mortimer's Miscellany' with Sir John Mortimer at Cerne Abbas village hall, in one of his last performances before his death.

'My Darling Clemmie' is written by Hugh Whitmore, who has written extensively for stage and screen, and he received three awards (including an Emmy) for his TV film 'The Gathering Storm' about Churchill in the 1930s. Whitmore revisits this subject for 'My Darling Clemmie', which is directed by Gareth Armstrong.

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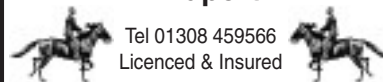
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ReView: SHUNT dance production

THIS year's collaborative dance production SHUNT at Bridport Arts Centre proved once again that Bridport is packed full of talented young people. The show included approximately fifty performers and their exceptional ability and commitment was evident throughout.

Produced by the fabulous Nikki Northover, there were a total of seventeen dances, showcasing a variety of styles from tap to contemporary. Each piece was a perfect expression of joy and exuberance, received with gusto by an appreciative audience.

The tone and tempo of the evening varied from contemplative solo pieces to riotous group tap sessions. The senior dancers (including Rebecca Whaley, Tess Bide, Nat Leppard, Connie Treves, Paris Halkes-Wellstead, Emily Meech, Kia Rait-McDonald and Cat Lowndes) were very impressive. They were good last year; this year they showed a maturity and skill that would grace any professional production. Their ability to interpret themes and express themselves through a variety of dance styles proves that they really have what it takes to succeed and is testament to the hard work they have put in over the last twelve months.

With additional choreography from Niki McCretton, Nikki Penfold, Xavi Monreal and Zoe Buttlng, SHUNT was also an opportunity for experienced choreographers to contribute to local dance. We are very fortunate to have such talented professionals willing to share their expertise with the young people of Bridport.

A special mention has to go to the singers this year, in particular Lauren Robinson, Rebecca Whaley and Jodie Glover, who were able to sing unaccompanied and hold the audience spellbound with their clear and confident voices. The wonderful Sammy Hurden who arranged all vocals for the show led the singers.

The first half of the show consisted of a series of short pieces, whilst the second half consisted of a long collaborative piece choreographed by Niki McCretton and Nikki Northover, alongside input from the students themselves. This superb and ambitious piece on the theme of memory and chance meetings drew on the student's own memories as well as exploring the way we 'hold' onto them.

This dance used the whole auditorium, not just the stage, and dancers surrounded the audience. Those who were dancing out of sight were filmed and the images projected onto the stage. This device enabled the audience to experience the sensation of peeping into another person's memory at the same time as they were being created.

This piece was enhanced by the brilliant music originally composed by Andrew Dickson. The looping, cyclical nature of the sound perfectly matched the theme and was performed live on the night. The violinist, Bridget Pearce, was superb and once again the audience were treated to professional standards in a local youth show.

One last mention has to go to Julio Guarita who choreographed and performed his own piece entitled After Bessanova. It was breathtaking well executed and an absolute treat to watch.

Unfortunately, there are too many performers to mention individually, they were all fantastic and the enthusiasm, energy and commitment they bring to the performance is inspirational. Can't wait until next year! **Review by Katherine Locke**



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SATURDAY MARCH 13TH

CHARMOUTH: Dance to One Night Stand at the St Andrews Community Hall. Licensed bar, 8pm till late. Admission £6 to include mini ploughman's. Proceeds to Charmouth senior citizens lunch fund and the Charmouth Community Hall. Tickets available from Fortnam, Smith and Banwell, Devonedge Hairdressing, the George or The Royal Oak.

WEST BAY: African Drumming Workshop from 2pm - 5.30pm at The Salt House. Organised by Good2Drum (Nick Blore) telephone 01308 420580 for more details.

MONDAY MARCH 15TH

UPLYME: Uplyme Ladies Group are hosting a fund raising talk for Shelterbox from 7.30pm at Uplyme Village Hall. For further details call 01297 631919 for more details.

THURSDAY MARCH 18TH

DORCHESTER: Dorchester Group 'Let's get together meeting' in Dorchester Yout Associations Hall at Lubbecke Way. From 10am - 1pm. Any retired Civil Servant, spouse, partner and/or friends are welcome to attend. Telephone 01308 420755 for more details

BRIDPORT: Green Drinks at the Tiger Inn, Barrack Street from 8pm. Organised by Transition Town Bridport

SATURDAY MARCH 20TH

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BEAMINSTER: West Dorset Music Centre concert at Beaminster School at 7.00pm. Telephone 01308 456297 for more details.

LYME REGIS: Bridport Chamber Orchestra perform: Poulenc Organ concerto, Dave Heath The Celtic Saxophone Concerto, Purcell - Chacony, Respighi - Ancient Airs and Dances, Mozart - Divertimento No. 1 in D, Finzi - Romanz, Poulenc at St Michael's Parish Church from 7.30pm. Organised by Lyme Regis Organ Appeal. tickets £10/£8, children £5 from TIC (01297 442138).

BRIDPORT: Bingo Evening in aid of St Catherine's Pre-School. Doors open 7pm, eyes down 7.30pm. Telephone 01308 420712 for more details.

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SATURDAY MARCH 27TH

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SATURDAY APRIL 3RD

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Down

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7. Straight (6)
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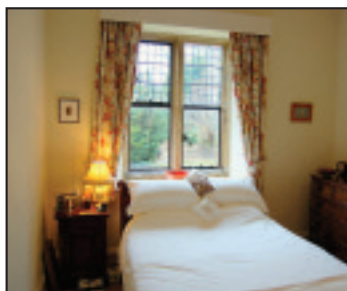
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- Bathroom
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- PANORAMIC Coastal Views.

CHARMOUTH - £525,000



Situated on a private road on the western side of the village, this individual 3 bedroom detached property boasts magnificent views over Marshwood Vale and along the Dorset coastline to Portland Bill

- Entrance Lobby • Utility Room
- Hallway
- Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Lounge • Dining Room
- Master Bedroom with En Suite Wet Room
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- Family Bathroom
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CHARMOUTH - £349,500



A well proportioned 3 bed period property near the centre of the village with garage and gardens

- Entrance Hall
- Lounge
- Kitchen/Diner
- Master Bedroom with Ensuite Shower Room
- Two Further Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom
- Rear Southerly Garden
- Garage and Parking

CHARMOUTH - £249,995



Secluded, recently delightfully renovated, period semi detached cottage with three bedrooms, conservatory, patio and garden.

- Three Bedrooms
- Open Plan Lounge/Kitchen
- Conservatory
- Bathroom
- Gas-Fired Central Heating
- Large Secluded Gardens
- Views to Stonebarrow

CHARMOUTH - £415,000



Charming detached bungalow in need of modernisation with large gardens and coastal views on the western edge of village

- Lounge • Dining Room
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- Bathroom
- Mature Large Gardens
- Single Garage
- Panoramic Sea Views

CHARMOUTH - £150,000



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parking - ground stability survey completed

CHARMOUTH - £220,000



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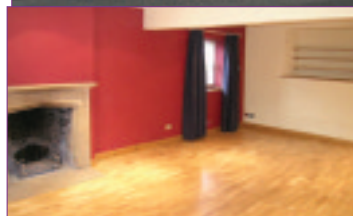
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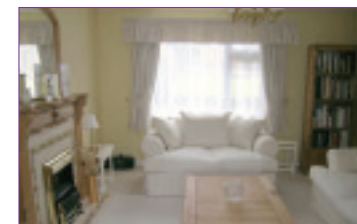
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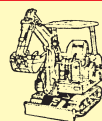
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Lexus is primed for 2010 with new F-Sport models

New grade at the heart of changes
for the new model year**Sharper looks and new high-tech on-board features are central to Lexus's revision of its best-selling IS sports saloon for 2010.**

Inspired by the ultra-high-performance IS F, the IS range has been extended with a new F-Sport grade that focuses on highly desirable sports styling features.

New F-Sport grade

The new F-Sport grade, available for both IS 250 and 220d models, takes its cue from the high impact styling of the IS F and is positioned in the IS line-up between the established SE-L and SE-L models.

The dedicated F-Sport exterior features include lowered suspension (IS 250 only), exclusive 18-inch wheels and an IS F-style front grille and rear bootlid spoiler. In the cabin there are aluminium sports pedals, IS F-style sports seats, steering wheel and (on the IS 250 automatic) gear lever. The seats are finished in a combination of Alcantara upholstery with leather side bolsters.

A black-on-black interior colour scheme is complimented by a black headlining and grey

stitching detail on the front seats and steering wheel.

F-Sport models share a number of premium equipment features with SE-L grade, including rain-sensing wipers, HID headlights with AFS, 13-speaker audio system and memory settings for the front seats and door mirrors. Navigation and audio systems Lexus has developed one of the most accurate and fast-responding navigation systems on the market. Using a 40GB hard disc drive (HDD), it provides Europe-wide coverage and is able to gather live local traffic intelligence in each country to help plot the most efficient route, wherever you may be.

A further benefit of the HDD system is its "sound library" function. Up to 10GB of disc space is available for owners to store audio tracks from CD – room enough for about 2,000 songs. The touch-screen, full-map system is available as an option on SE and SE-L models as part of package that also includes a rear park assist monitor.

For F-Sport and SE-L versions of IS, it is included in the optional Multimedia Package, together with a 14-speaker Mark Levin-

son Premium Surround Sound System and the rear park assist monitor.

All Lexus IS audio systems can be upgraded to receive DAB digital broadcasts and are equipped as standard with USB and audio jack plug connection for fully controlled use of portable music players, and Bluetooth with an audio streaming function.

The Mark Levinson audio package now features a "sound library" function, using the navigation system's HDD to transfer and store music files from CD up to 10GB capacity.

Larger wheels for SE grade Lexus IS 250 SE and 220d SE have been given more street ap-

peal for 2010 with 10-spoke 17-inch alloy wheels fitted as standard, in place of the previous 16-inch rims.

Improved fuel efficiency and CO2 emissions

The revisions made to the IS 250 for the 2010 model year have yielded improvements in fuel consumption and CO2 emissions. With manual transmission, combined cycle economy is now 29.1mpg, compared to 28.8mpg for the 2009 model; the new figure for the automatic is 31.7mpg (from 31.0mpg). CO2 emissions have fallen from 231 to 227g/km for the manual and 214 to 209g/km for the automatic.



BMW 5-series voted 'most highly anticipated new car' of the year

BMW's new 5-Series saloon, set to go on sale later this month is the most highly anticipated new car of 2010, new research has revealed.

The German carmaker's latest model beat off stiff competition from Audi and Jaguar to win the poll, taking 20 per cent* of the vote in a recent survey on popular car leasing website, ContractHireAndLeasing.com.

As hub for car leasing deals, the website attracts personal and business users alike, who voted for the car they were most excited to see hit the showrooms.

Always a popular carmaker with the contract hire market, BMW's new offering was closely followed by the Audi A8 taking 14 per cent of the vote. In third place the new Jaguar XJ won 11 per cent of the vote.

The new 5-Series as the winning car can look forward to a warm reception from user-choosers and fleet buyers alike.

Always a hit within the contract hire market, in the course of five previous model generations, overall sales of the 5 Series already amounted to more than 5.5 million. The latest model bases much of its interior charm on features first found in the luxury BMW 7 Series saloon, and as such the new model builds upon a reputation for quality. With a range of

diesels and petrols to choose from, the 5-Series is a spacious saloon ideal for a wide range of demands, from long business trips to family duties.

Strong residuals, solid performance and minimised emissions, the BMW 5-Series is set to push the boundary once again within its class.

Explains Richard Lawton, the website's spokesperson: "The new 5-Series will be the first in its class to gain Auto Start/Stop and will benefit from a host of BMW's EfficientDynamic technologies. In addition to that the new 5-Series is slightly larger than its predecessor yet it maintains strong performance and boosts fuel efficiency over the old model.

"With great driver aids including the introduction of Park Assist, along with Head-up Display, Night Vision, Lane Departure Warning, Lane Change Warning, Speed Limit Info and two rear entertainment packages available, the 5 Series is equipped to go too.

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GQbyCITROËN – Designed by Citroën. Tailored By Savile Row. Made with GQ.

CITROËN and GQ have revealed a unique and exciting automotive project – the GQbyCITROËN.

The GQbyCITROËN is a concept car born through a unique partnership between the UK's market-leading quality men's monthly and a team of

Citroën designers, collaborating to create the ultimate gentleman's drive. This is the first time a British magazine has collaborated with a car company in this way.

Responding to a brief by GQ's editor, Dylan Jones, Citroën's team, headed by British designer – and the

man responsible for the new Citroën DS3 – Mark Lloyd, took a new look at the GT theme and integrated it with a typical Citroën design approach bringing GQbyCITROËN from design outline to concept reality. GQbyCITROËN combines classically sophisti-

cated features and contemporary styling with a sculpted front end, rounded rear, strong body contours and sleek concave rear windscreen – a signature Citroën design. The car's cabin is accessed by rear coach doors and reveals a spacious, comfortable and fu-

turestic cabin. Completing the car's bespoke styling, the interior detailing and upholstery selections were provided by Patrick Grant, the Creative Director of prestigious Savile Row tailors, E.Tautz, who commented: "Savile Row is all about balance and Tautz's simple military inspired interior is the perfect counterpoint to the Gallic flair of the exterior." Dylan Jones commented: "I wanted something practical, something cool, and something idiosyncratic – i.e. something surprising that didn't just look like a concept car. The GQ car needed to have the 'want' factor, but it also needed to look, feel and 'drive' like the sort of car no sane man could choose to ignore. We think it looks very very special."

Dynamic performance and environmental responsibility were also key requirements for the project. The GQbyCITROËN concept car is powered by a plug-in Hybrid with a

1,598cc, 4-cylinder direct injection petrol engine offering a sporty 0-60mph time of just 4.5seconds, an electronically limited top speed of 155mph and CO2 emissions of just 80g/km.

Mark Lloyd, Chief Designer of Citroën's International Projects added: "Where this car works so well with GQ is that it fits with the current attitudes of conspicuous consumption. It is understated rather than in-your-face and sleek rather than too macho. With the skills of a Savile Row tailor on the car's interior we have also achieved that bespoke, fitted feel, both inside and out."

"For me, the car that has always represented the pinnacle of automotive excellence and refinement is the GT – the Grand Tourer. It is not the all-out sports car, rather it is something gentlemanly, it has performance and it is for travelling, not racing. We wanted to create something that, like

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2002 52 Reg HONDA S2000 2.0i GT



2 Doors, Manual, Convertible, Petrol, 102,000 miles, Metallic Silver. Full Service History, Leather upholstery, Air conditioning, Radio/CD, Alloy wheels, Sports seats, xenons, Alarm, Remote locking, Front electric windows, Colour coding - Interior, Power assisted steering, Central locking, Metallic Paint, Locking wheel nuts, Electric mirrors, Headlight washers, Trip computer, Driver airbag, Colour coding - Body, Anti theft system, Electric door mirrors, Body coloured bumpers, Audio remote control, ABS, Immobiliser, Passenger airbag, Foglights, Insurance Group:200, Good Clean Example Of This Desirable Sports Roadster.

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2005 05 Reg AUDI A4 2.0 TDi S Line £10,499 p/x considered
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2002 51 Reg BMW 330d Sport £9,999 p/x considered
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2000 X Reg MAZDA MX-5 1.8i Jasper Conran Classic Black Convertible



2 Doors, Manual, Convertible, Petrol, 88,000 miles, Metallic Black. Full Service History, Alloy wheels, Radio/CD, Remote central locking, Leather upholstery, Sports seats, Electric door mirrors, Audio remote control, Front electric windows, Body coloured bumpers, Alarm, Radio/Minidisc, Colour coding - Body, Driver airbag, Colour coding - Interior, ABS, Central locking, PAS, Front armrest, Front head restraints, Immobiliser, Passenger airbag, Rear headrests, Locking wheel nuts, Insurance Group:15D, Lovely Example Of This Desirable & Rare Limited Edition MX5, Only 400 Were Produced In Black & Each Individually Numbered. This Is Number 264

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2001 51 Reg JAGUAR X-Type 2.5 V6 SE



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■ Beaminster return to top spot ■

DORSET JUNIOR CUP
SEMI-FINAL

THORNCOMBE hopes of emulating last season's triumphant Dorset Junior Cup campaign ended in a 3-0 semi-final defeat by FC Windowman at Horseshoe Lane.

The visitors struck three times in the last 20 minutes. The first goal puzzled the Thorns with the referee awarding a penalty for what he later described as obstruction – indirect free-kick surely?

CHALLENGE CUP SEMI-FINALS

For the first time in many years the PSL was in a position to appoint neutral linesmen for cup semi-finals.

Lyme Regis visited South Petherton boasting a superb away record that has now seen them unbeaten for a year on their travels. And that record was extended by a 2-0 victory on Saturday.

The sides cancelled each other out in a first-half bereft of goal scoring opportunities. The closest either side came was John Hayter's 15th minute free-kick which curled just past the post.

Petherton keeper Jardine Mackenzie injured a hamstring early in the second period but had the Scotsman been fully fit he would have still been hard pressed to have saved either of the Lyme goals which came in an eight minute burst. In the 70th minute Rob Thomson's perseverance was rewarded when he crossed for Man-of-the-Match Joe Bond to poke home the opener. Soon after Bond's explosive pace proved too much for substitute Karl Diment. The young striker out sprinted the Pethy player-manager before coolly lifting the ball in the top corner. Mark Tierney clipped the outside of the post for the hosts in injury time but Lyme had few scares and manager Robin Townsend was rewarded for his tactical switch to a 4-5-1 line-up as his side reached their fifth Challenge Cup final in six years.

Ilminster Town Reserves kept up their hopes of lifting the trophy for the first time in 50 years but they needed extra-time to beat Merriott Rovers at Newchester Cross.

Pete Symes gave the Rovers a half-time lead before Jon Brister leveled to send the game into the extra 30 minutes. Symes repeated the trick to edge his side, who were previously unbeaten in 2010, back in front with just 10 minutes remaining. But strikes from Chris Bussell and Brister again set-up a repeat of the 2006 Final when the Blues were thrashed 6-0 by Lyme at Combe.

KENNY HODGES CUP
SEMI-FINALS

The lack of three regulars and a first blank score sheet in 21 outings cost Farway United Reserves dearly as they were well-beaten by hosts Winsham United Reserves. An own goal and

Richard White's 16th and 17th goals of the season saw the hosts cruise through the final and a date with Ilminster Town A at Drimpton on April 27th.

The Blues had a hat-trick hero in Luke Lazenby as they beat Chard United 6-3 at Jocelyn Park. Luke Paul, Luke Woodman and Tom Wallis made up the visitors half-dozen. Stefan Coombes, Tom Newport and Wayne Mears found the net for the hosts.

PREMIER

BEAMINSTER recovered from defeats against Lyme Regis and South Petherton in recent weeks as they beat Barrington for the third time this season to move back to the top of the Premier Division.

Tristan Gale put the Rainbows ahead at the break at Shelway Lane. James Ridd crowned a Man-of-the-Match performance on the left-side of midfield with the second before Gale rounded off the scoring with his 17th of the season. Top performer for the hosts was goalkeeper Dan Caines.

Misterton ended a run of four defeats with a 2-1 win at Combe Reserves. With the previous three encounters this season ending in draws this was always going to be a tight affair – and so it proved. A foul on Jack Platt allowed Joe Carbin to slot Missy's opener from the penalty spot before new signing from Ilminster Steve Jarvis crowned a fine debut with what proved to be the winner. Phil Denslow netted the Saints' consolation.

Two of the struggling West Dorset teams picked up morale-boosting points. With Manager Ian Pincombe off skiing in Austria assistant manager Nick Pomeroy held the White Horse reins for the trip to Crewkerne Town. Star performer Richard Pincombe gave the Horse a 15th minute lead at Henhayes before the Tigers leveled 10 minutes later thanks to a 25-yard wonder strike from skipper Jamie Spurdle. The visitors went close to snatching all three points but James Pitcher saw his 20-yarder come back off an upright.

Bottom of the table Chardmouth also returned home from their travels with a point after a 1-1 draw at Perry Street. The Robins appeared to be heading for their first win of the season when Dan Rendall netted midway through the second-half but a last gasp header from new player-manager Ian Hilton salvaged a point for the Mothers whose top performer was Ben Stevens. Midfielder Ali Harvey took the visitors' accolade.

Premier Division	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Beaminster	11	9	0	2	47	12	27
South Petherton	9	8	0	1	45	6	24
Lyme Regis	9	8	0	1	25	10	24
Barrington	13	7	2	4	28	31	23
Combe Reserves	14	6	1	7	29	31	19

Ilminster Reserves	12	5	3	4	33	22	18
Merriott Rovers	10	6	0	4	26	26	18
Perry Street	14	5	3	6	29	43	18
Crewkerne	16	5	2	9	35	43	17
Misterton	13	4	3	6	22	27	15
White Horse	11	1	2	8	17	30	5
Chardmouth	14	0	2	12	18	73	2

DIVISION ONE

WEST & Middle Chinnock recovered from 2-0 down to beat Netherbury 3-2 to take another step towards the Premier Division. Goals from Adam Sorrell and James Sayers looked set to smash the Chinnocks seven game unbeaten home record. But the hosts, missing strikers Ian Masters and Mark Cawley stormed back. John Ralph pulled one back before the break with a 20-yard scorcher. Damon Hallett headed home the equaliser before Ralph pounced on a rebound to net the winner seven minutes from time.

An improved Lyme Regis Reserves performance couldn't prevent a third successive defeat at the Davey Fort. Visitors Winsham United moved up a place to fifth thanks to goals from Tom Symes and Tom Stead in a 2-1 win. Fred Thomson scored the Seasiders consolation direct from a corner. Tim Edwards was in fine form at the heart of the Lyme defence.

Goals from Andy Fish, Rob Sutton – a 25-yard screamer, Adam Male and Craig Stuckey gave Ilminster Colts a comfortable 4-0 win over visiting Perry Street Reserves.

Forton Rangers are still in with a shout of promotion after 2-1 win over Pymore. After a goal less first-half Tom Robinson put Rangers ahead before Fred Etherington clipped home a 70th minute free-kick. Paul Ruffell on debut following his move from White Horse had a goal disallowed for Pymore soon after, but it was Dan Grimstead who netted the decider late on.

A Wayne Long goal couldn't save Chard Rangers from a crushing 6-1 defeat at Farway United who celebrated their first home match for 19 weeks with goals from Bradley King (2), Dan Williams (2), Ben Williams and Paul Lee.

Division One	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
West & M Chinnock	10	8	2	0	43	18	26
Farway United	9	5	3	1	24	11	18
Ilminster Colts	8	5	3	0	19	11	18
Forton Rangers	9	5	2	2	15	11	17
Winsham United	9	4	2	3	22	19	14
Netherbury	9	3	3	3	24	18	12
Chard Rangers	11	3	1	7	19	44	10
Perry Street Res	10	2	2	6	25	33	8
Pymore	8	2	2	4	12	20	8
Thorncombe	10	2	1	7	20	23	7
Lyme Regis Res	9	1	1	7	18	33	4

DIVISION TWO

A SECOND-HALF double from Dan Pyett helped Beaminster Reserves to an impressive 3-2 win over promotion

chasing Norton Athletic at the Memorial Ground. Ross Pickett had earlier bagged the Beaminster opener with Louis Hockey and Aaron Purnell on target for the depleted visitors who ended the game with 10 players.

Uplyme's resurgence continued. The Swallows beat Forton Reserves 2-1 at Venlake to take another step towards Division Two safety.

A Gavin Fowler tap-in saw the hosts' head into the break one up. Rangers leveled but Alex Cottle popped up with the winner ten minutes from time.

On the downside Uplyme lost Richard Sale who received a painful kick in the eye and went off to hospital for a check up. Thankfully Swallows' assistant manager Andy Cleere confirmed the injury wasn't too serious.

Drimpton battled back from two down and leveled with goals from Chris Rowsell and Adam Chant before subsiding to a 5-2 home defeat at the hands of South Petherton Reserves.

Division Two	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Millway Rise	12	11	1	0	37	14	34
Norton Athletic	11	8	0	3	42	22	24
Dowlish & Donyatt	14	7	1	6	47	40	22
Hinton St George	13	5	3	5	34	25	18
Shepton Beauchamp	10	5	2	3	33	15	17
Beaminster Res	11	5	2	4	22	25	17
South Petherton Res	12	3	5	4	31	28	14
Forton Rangers Res	11	3	3	5	18	23	12
Uplyme	11	3	2	6	18	30	11
Drimpton	12	2	1	9	24	50	7
Chard United	11	2	0	9	15	49	6

DIVISION THREE

THE top v bottom clash at Jocelyn Park ended honours even with Chard Rangers Reserves holding Hawkchurch to a 3-3 draw.

Rangers took and early lead but goals from Glenn Harding and Tim Hussey turned things around before the interval. Hussey struck again but the hosts battled back to earn a creditable point. Dan Wilcox, Mike Baggy and John Mason (pen) scored for the Chard team.

Combe A dropped three places to ninth after goals from Paul Cable and Dave Egdon earned Crewkerne Reserves three points from their trip to Slades Cross.

A Marco Quedas hat-trick formed the backbone to Luso-Chard 5-2 win over visiting Misterton Reserves. Pedro Teixeira and Andre Prudensio were the other Luso marksmen with Dean Hyet and Johnny Rode replying.

Millway Rise Reserves first home game since October ended in defeat as a Simon Cherry goal earned Fivehead United a league double.

There was a similar score line at Shepton Reserves where Jamie Jones' 80th minute strike gave Lyme Regis Bantams all three points and sixth place in the League.

Lyme gave a debut to Rhys Evans and

welcomed back Rory Holmes after 18 months of travelling in Australia and the USA.

Division Three	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Hawkchurch	14	10	2	2	50	30	32
Fivehead United	12	7	2	3	24	20	23
Misterton Reserves	14	7	2	5	36	35	23
Crewkerne Rangers	10	7	0	3	42	19	21
Luso-Chard	10	5	0	5	38	30	15
Lyme Bantams*	11	6	0	5	30	22	15
Crewkerne Reserves	8	5	0	3	23	16	15
Millway Rise Res	13	5	0	8	27	33	15
Combe A	11	4	2	5	21	21	14
Shepton Reserves	13	3	1	9	25	42	10
Chard Rangers Res	14	1	1	12	17	65	4

DIVISION FOUR

CHARMOUTH Reserves went down 11-0 to Combe B back in October. It was much closer on Saturday but the Saints, with Dan O'Connor, Tom Bond and Neil Wilmington on target, still won 3-0. Top man for Chardmouth was left-back Josh Cauldwell with the centre-back pairing of player-manager Toby Gordon and Simon Knight also looking good – although, for the second game in a row, the two collided resulting in Gordon twice breaking his nose!

Goals from Stuart Weir and Man-of-the-Match Dan Morley in the second-half 90-second purple patch hauled Hawkchurch back to 2-3 in their match with Barrington Reserves.

But it was Barrington who scored the crucial sixth goal to complete the 2-4 score line.

After back-to-back defeats, an Ethan Guppy goal 10 minutes from time appeared to have got the Waytown Hounds' show back on the road.

But there was still time for Dan Winter and James Johnson to bag the goals that secured a fine win for visiting Thorncombe Reserves.

Division Four	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Winsham Utd Res	15	9	3	3	58	43	30
Farway United Res	11	7	3	1	41	17	24
Ilminster Town A	11	7	2	2	36	25	23
Waytown Hounds	12	7	0	5	46	28	21
Hinton Res	14	6	3	5	30	37	21
Chard United Res	11	6	2	3	34	24	20
Barrington Reserves	12	6	1	5	39	32	19
Combe B	17	6	1	10	54	51	19
Thorncombe Res	13	4	2	7	27	36	14
Hawkchurch Res	14	2	2	10	26	46	8
Chardmouth Res*	14	2	1	11	13	65	6

* = point deducted

RESULTS

Saturday, March 6th

Dorset Junior Cup Semi-final

Thorncombe 0 FC Windowman Res 3

Challenge Cup Semi-finals

Merriott Rovers 2 Ilminster Res 3 aet

South Petherton 0 Lyme Regis 2

Kenny Hodges Cup Semi-finals

Chard United Reserves 3 Ilminster A 6

Winsham Utd Res 3 Farway Utd Res 0

Premier Division

Barrington 0 Beaminster 3
Combe Reserves 1 Misterton 2
Crewkerne 1 White Horse 1
Perry Street 1 Chardmouth 1

Division One

Farway United 6 Chard Rangers 1
Forton Rangers 2 Pymore 1
Ilminster Colts 4 Perry Street Res 0
Lyme Regis Res 0 Winsham United 2
West & M Chinnock 3 Netherbury 2

Division Two

Beaminster Reserves 3 Norton Athl2
Dowlish & Donyatt 5 Shepton Beau 3
Drimpton 2 South Petherton Reserves 5

Hinton St George 4 Chard United 1
Uplyme 2 Forton Rangers Reserves 1

Division Three

Chard Rangers Res 3 Hawkchurch 3
Combe A 0 Crewkerne Reserves 2
Luso-Chard 5 Misterton 1
Millway Rise Res 0 Fivehead United 1
Shepton Reserves 0 Lyme Bantams 1

Division Four

Chardmouth Reserves 0 Combe B 3
Hawkchurch Res 2 Barrington Res 4
Waytown Hounds 1 Thorncombe Res 2

FIXTURES

Thursday, March 11th

John Fowler Cup Final

at Bridport FC 7pm

Crewkerne Rangers v Crewkerne Res

Saturday, March 13th

Somerset Junior Cup Semi-final

Freshford Utd v S.Petherton 2.30pm

Arthur Gage Cup Semi-final 2pm

Perry Street Res v W & M Chinnock

Arthur Gage Cup Round 2 2pm

Lyme Regis Reserves v Ilminster Colts

Bill Bailey Cup Semi-finals 2pm

Crewk Rangers v Chard Rangers Res

Fivehead United v Crewkerne Reserves

Daisy Hutchings Cup Round 2 2pm

Luso-Chard v Norton Athletic

Millway Rise v Hawkchurch

All matches below kick off at 2.30pm

Premier Division

Beaminster v Lyme Regis
Combe Reserves v Barrington

Ilminster Town Reserves v White Horse

Merriott Rovers v Perry Street

Misterton v Chardmouth

Division One

Chard Rangers v Forton Rangers

Farway United v Winsham United

Netherbury v Thorncombe

Division Two

Chard United v Uplyme

Drimpton v Beaminster Reserves

Forton Res v Shepton Beauchamp

South Peth Res v Dowlish & Donyatt

Division Three

Lyme Bantams v Misterton Reserves

Shepton Beau Res v Millway Rise Res

Division Four

Barrington Res v Waytown Hounds

Chardmouth Res v Farway United Res

Hinton Reserves v Hawkchurch Res

Ilminster Town A v Combe B

Thorncombe Res v Winsham United Res

LYME REGIS SKITTLES LEAGUE

LADIES DIVISION: Rock A Byes 320 Hot Gossips 316 (C. Sartin 68), Abandon Ship 334 Wootton Wobblers 321 (C. Denslow 63), Smashers 293 Rollercoasters 287 (S. Churchill 60), Just Us 295 Oh So Gorgeous 330 (L. Rawlins 66).

	P	W	D	L	Pts	Beer
Oh So Gorgeous	14	10	1	3	21	14
Bids & Babes	14	9	2	3	20	20
Smashers	13	10	0	3	20	10
Wootton Wobblers	14	8	0	6	16	12
La Creme	14	7	1	6	15	8
Rock A Byes	14	7	0	7	14	17
Rollercoasters	14	7	0	7	14	12
Just Us	14	6	1	7	13	25
Abandon Ship	14	6	0	8	12	14
Hot Gossips	14	6	0	8	12	11
Generations	12	4	1	8	9	14
Deano's Divas	13	4	0	9	8	11
Castaways	13	3	0	10	6	8

MENS DIVISION ONE: Roadrunners 348 Alleytwits 369 (C. Kapur 75), Cowboys 354 Anthill Mob - score not supplied (G. Brooks 71), Marksmen 352 Skippy's Six 364 (S. Rowland 77), Rousdon Rebels 306 Clueless 304 (T. Holmes 68), No Hoppers 345 Flyers 330 (P. Liston 66).

	P	W	D	L	Pts	Beer
Cowboys	16	10	0	6	20	22
No Hoppers	15	10	0	5	20	15
Roadrunners	16	9	0	7	18	20
Rousdon Rebels	16	9	0	7	18	13
Skippy's Six	16	9	0	7	18	13
Anthill Mob	16	8	0	8	16	12
Flyers	16	7	0	9	14	18
Marksmen	16	7	0	9	14	15
Alleytwits	16	5	0	11	10	17
Clueless	15	5	0	10	10	13

MENS DIVISION TWO: Wreckers 380 Sherberts 358 (M. Croad 74), Trappers 401 Presidents Men 368 (M. Heneghan 74), Wootton Tornadoes 333 Hot Rocks 353 (B. Strong 65), British Legion 343 Shakers 331 (B. Kendrick 69), Willy's Wanderers 290 Young Guns 346 (A. Cross 68).

	P	W	D	L	Pts	Beer
Wreckers	15	12	0	3	24	18
Wootton Tornadoes	15	11	0	4	22	15
Hot Rocks	14	10	0	4	20	17
Miscellaneous	14	9	1	4	19	20
Presidents Men	14	8	0	6	16	14
Sherberts	17	7	1	6	15	16
Young Guns	14	7	0	7	14	17
Trappers	15	6	1	8	13	16
British Legion	15	4	1	10	9	8
Shakers	13	2	0	11	4	13
Willy's Wanderers	15	1	0	14	2	2

Lyme Regis golf

SUNDAY 7 March was a bright sunny day but with a biting Easterly breeze, matched by hard frozen fairways and greens writes Steve Percival.

The early starters found the conditions hard to handle even when, after a few hours, the warm sun had broken through to soften the ground, the strengthened wind was still difficult to contend with and the majority of competitors struggled to card a good score.

However, some managed to overcome adversity to record scores either below or very close to net par. In Division one Adam White, playing off 10 and Ed Lawrence playing off 5 both recorded a one shot below course scratch with a net 70. However, it was Adam White who took the honours on countback despite the fact that Ed Lawrence had recorded the lowest gross score in the division.

Eighteen-year-old Greg Matthews, a product of the club junior academy, playing off 18, also carded a net 70 to achieve third place. In Division two Shane Stone (20) was the clear winner with a net 72 one shot better than John Lawrence (17) who carded a highly creditable net 73. In third place with a net 74 was Rob Coombe (16) who beat Adrian Wells (16) on count back. Adrian, however, had the satisfaction of recording the best gross score in the division. Perhaps a reflection of the conditions, only two players recorded birdie twos. Jamie Hughes, a member of the club green staff, and Barry Goswell, who has recently recovered from major surgery, both recorded their achievements on the eighth hole.

Lyme Ladies with Ellie Langford March 4th Medal Competition

AT last we played on 18 holes but although our problems with the weather were over for now, another hazard confronted us, horses had invaded the course and trampled the fairways and some of the greens. The panic to chase them off the course, just made matters worse because they broke into a canter leaving deep hoof prints on the already soft ground. The greenkeeper's were in despair, their hard work to get the greens ready for the start of the season would have to be redone.

As usual Jean Moss was consistent in her play, helped by the sunny conditions she carded a nett 74 and that was in spite of going out of bounds on the 16th. To her delight she cut her handicap from 24 to 21.

The Captain was not so delighted because she's been picked to play in the semi final of the Legg Bowl against Yeovil on Monday. If she keeps playing as well as she has been lately she will achieve her ambition of reducing her handicap to 18 this summer.

Jane Southcome, also picked to play in the Legg Bowl, cut her handicap from nine to eight lets hope both players can keep playing well for the semi final.

Lyme Regis played away at Woodbury in The Mail On Sunday and won 4 - 1, they now go through to the 3rd round.

Results: Division 1: Jane Southcome 76, Sue Davidge 79ocb, Jane Dixon 79. Division 2: Jean Moss 74, Glenys Phillips 78, Angela Clark 79. Division 3: Joy Madge 86ocb, Hanna Jacobsen 86, Sheila Claringbold 88.

Bridport Table Skittles

DIVISION A	P	W	Pts	Beer
Jesters	16	13	62	14
Eye of the Tiger	16	13	54	10
Second Hand Clock	15	11	53	12
Chillieheads	16	8	44	7
Crown A	15	9	39	3
Sally Mustangs	16	7	39	5
Whats the Odds	15	6	36	13
Oak A Nuts	16	7	34	4
No Hoppers	16	6	33	8
Simpsons	15	6	29	4
Cross Shots	16	6	26	7
Classics	16	2	22	7

DIVISION B	P	W	Pts	Beer
Kens Prix	15	12	50	7
Five of Clubs	16	11	48	8
Freds Heroes	16	9	48	10
Baggies Boys	16	10	42	10
Mucking Fuddlers	15	9	40	5
Consorts	16	7	40	11
Fishermans Friends	15	7	38	7
Five Alive	14	6	34	9
Slingers	15	7	33	6
Upstairs Downstairs	16	6	32	8
George Gormets	15	5	31	5
Crown Spares	15	3	24	5

DIVISION C	P	W	Pts	Beer
Tanners A	16	15	63	14
Bellends	16	12	55	7
Who gives a Tuck	16	13	52	8
Time Wasters	16	11	48	13
West Dorset Clubbers	15	11	46	11
Stickups	16	7	39	7
The B Bs	14	7	32	7
Catch of the Day	15	3	29	9
Exiles	14	4	28	3
About Time	16	4	25	6
Kings of Hazard	16	3	23	3
Crown Handbags	14	2	19	4

BOB BUCKLER RACING

ALL FIT AND RARING TO GO

WITH the ground having dried out following the monsoon conditions of recent weeks, many of Bob Buckler's horses should be out and running this week.

However next week sees jump racing's Cheltenham Festival, the equivalent of football's World Cup, and the stables three horses entered for the four day extravaganza are in fine form running up to their big day.

The first day Tuesday sees last year's Irish Grand National Winner Niche Market have his final run before the Aintree Grand National when he runs in the William Hill Trophy Handicap Chase over three miles.

The nine-year-old jumped to the front of the betting for the National after he just failed to hold off current favourite Tricky Trickster over the same distance at Newbury in the Aon Chase recently. Ridden by Harry Skelton he will be looking for good to soft ground.

Also on Tuesday's card is Double Dizzy who is entered for the Glenfaras Handicap Chase over 3 miles 7 furlongs for which he is currently quoted at odds of 20/1.

"Digger" as he is affectionately known around the yard, ran a good race last time out at Kempton last month finishing 2½ lengths second to Nicky Henderson's useful Duc De Regnier.

Thursday sees The Sawyer attempt to maintain his recent good form when he goes for the Byrne Group Plate. Following successes at Ascot and Cheltenham in January, he returned to Ascot last month and ran what Buckler described as his best run ever, in the Betfair Ascot Chase to finish a brilliant third behind Monet's Garden and Alberta's Run.

Again he will be ridden by the stables up and coming conditional jockey Nathan Sweeney.

One horse not running is Ballyeagan

who failed dismally in his pre-race at Newbury last Friday. The newly acquired five-year-old having won a couple of point-to-points in Ireland trailed home last in his first race under Buckler.

"He ran very green, and was very disappointing. I have noticed this with some of the Irish horses who fail to impress initially when they come to the UK. It was a gamble to hopefully race him at Cheltenham which backfired I'm afraid."

Mizzurka is entered for Cheltenham but this is only a fall back should racing at Sandown on Saturday be abandoned because of the weather or the ground is to bad.

Having won the qualifying race at Taunton the six-year-old mare is due to run in the Dbs/ebf Mares' Standard Open National Hunt Flat Race Final for which Henderson's Lifestyle seems the biggest danger.

Local trainer Charlie Fox will be hoping to go one better this year in the Christie's Foxhunter Chase.

The Askerwell trained nine-year-old Turthen finished second to Cappa Bleu in last year's race and is currently rated a 12/1 chance for next Friday's race.

Buckler's neighbour Richard Barber at Seavinton also has two horses entered for the Foxhunter. The 11-year-old Le Duc is rated at 14/1, whilst Barber appears to have a much better chance with Trust Fund.

He has won five of his last six races and is currently rated third favourite at odds of 13/2.



◆ **READY FOR ACTION:** (From left) The Sawyer with Nikki Malcolm, Bob Buckler, Gary Old with Niche Markey, Nathan Sweeney and Adele Follett with Double Dizzy

Seasiders get more for their money!

WEYMOUTH Rugby Club got more than they bargained for when new disabled and toilet facilities at their Monmouth Avenue club house were opened last weekend.

Due to the generosity of local businesses offering additional materials and manpower it meant that the Seasiders were able to provide more lavish accommodation than they originally anticipated.

Club members and invited guests enjoyed a pre-match buffet lunch before their match with Westbury on Saturday to mark the official opening of the facilities, which was performed by Stuart Barnes who had been

instrumental in driving the project forward.

The club who were awarded a £10,000 National Lottery grant to undertake the work which included a ramp for wheelchair access and improved disabled toilet facilities, were able to achieve so much more with the additional help, and would like to thank Coastal Gas and Electrical, New Image Tiles, Impact Signs, PTS Plumbing Supplies, City Electrical Factors, Mark Collett Plastering and Stuart Barnes Ltd for their generosity, which has transformed the club, and added a much needed facility within the community.



◆ **OFFICIALLY OPEN:** Stuart Barnes (right) cuts the tape to the new disabled and toilet facilities watched by Weymouth RFC Chairman Glyn Arnold. Photo: IDRIS MARTIN

BRIDPORT SKITTLES

Cup fixtures for week beginning Monday March 15th:

Portman Handicap Cup - 3rd Round
Monday March 15th: Crazy Gang (15) v Gerryatrics
Tuesday March 16th: Pinseekers (32/28) v Smithys Boys or U Know The Bokes, Alcoholics v Alleycats (3).
Wednesday March 17th: Unknowns v AFAR (14), The Dingles (32) v Broadoak.
Friday March 19th: Ginger Gales (40) v Rough Eight, Swimming Club v Seconds Out (20), Denhay Farm (15) v 2012 Olympics..

Altham Cup - 3rd Round, Thursday March 18th: Whisky Chasers v Pinseekers, Bulldogs v Countrymen.
Friday March 19th: Pioneers v Gerryatrics, Friars Follies v The Dingles.

Mens Gerry Nichol Cup - 2nd Round, Tuesday March 16th: Cupid Stunts v Miss The Ball, Rejects v Alligators.

Wednesday March 17th: Groundhogs v Rockets.
Thursday March 18th: Lively Lads v U Know The Bokes.

Ladies Nomination Cup - Semi-Final
Monday March 15th - Tiger - Ginger Gales v Pinbashers
Tuesday March 16th - Bradpole Club - Cuckoos v Yo Yo's.

Mens Nomination Cup - 3rd Round, Thursday March 18th: Slingers v Chimps, Shipfaced v Not Survivors or Nelson Nobblers.
Friday March 19th: Dingbats v Broadoak or Rockets, Countrymen v Wanderers.

From Wildcats to Hornets

WEYMOUTH business man Nigel Charlton is now sponsoring Hornets instead of Wildcats.

Wessex Bus, of whom Mr Charlton and his wife Marion are the proprietors, sponsored the Weymouth Wildcats raceway and three of their riders last season but severed their ties with the club last year.

They have however kept their interest in speedway by recently being named official main team sponsor of the Newport Hornets National League speedway team for the coming season.

They will also sponsor two of the three riders, James White-Williams and Tim Webster, who have joined the Hornets from Weymouth.

Hornets co-boss Nick Mallett said: "We are delighted to have kept Nigel Charlton involved with the sport and wel-

come his backing for the Hornets as a whole."

Not only have Newport picked up new sponsors, they also have a new mascot in Weymouth schoolboy Anders Rowe. He was the mascot of his home club last season but has also switched allegiance.



◆ **Wessex Bus proprietor Nigel Charlton (right) with Newport Speedway promoter Nick Mallett and mascot Anders Rowe.**

Donovan strike snatches a point

Beaminster 3 Yeovil 2nd 3

FOR THE second match running Beaminster scored with the last play to snatch a point from a game in which for a long time they looked second best.

What the odds are of a side scoring in such a situation in consecutive games must be long, but having won a short corner for feet, the umpires signalled time; the rules allow for the short corner to be taken, but once cleared out of the D the game is over.

Beaminster had got themselves back into the game with a well worked short corner routine that resulted in Jackie Gape scoring, and repeated the move in an effort to salvage a draw.

Emma Davies' injection was stopped by Gape who slipped the ball sideways to skipper Jenny Clarke. She returned the ball to Gape who jinked past a player, but when her shot was charged down by the keeper and a defender the chance appeared to be gone. But the ball fell kindly to Ruth Donovan who nudged it over the line.

This was a strange match with Beaminster scoring early against a Yeovil 2nds side occupying second spot at the start of the day. However they appeared to lack vision and looked lethargic until the final 25 minutes of the match when they came back from 3-1 down to share the spoils.

Beaminster got off to a cracking start with Megan Tuck scoring an excellent goal after just four minutes. Ali White's long ball out of defence set Tuck clear of the Yeovil back line, and after pushing the ball beyond the keeper appeared to have lost her opportunity, but her speed and long reach was just enough to turn the ball in from an acute angle.

The goal seemed to spur Yeovil more than Beaminster, and the visitors took control. It was no surprise therefore when they equalised on 15 minutes when they caught the home defence off guard following a quick free hit.

Regardless of the situation, you can rarely fault Beaminster for enthusiasm and endeavour, but they appeared rather lacklustre all over the pitch for a time on Saturday, and Yeovil took advantage.

They dominated the rest of the half although the hosts should have taken the lead on 21 minutes when Davies found Tuck with a superb ball down the right. She took the ball to the bye line before cutting it back across goal but unfortunately Lucy Timbrill failed to connect cleanly at the far post with the goal at her mercy and the chance was missed.

Yeovil's pressure finally told two minutes before the break when Taryn Critchard mis-controlled a ball in the D and a visiting forward slipped the ball wide of keeper Rachel Andrews.

They increased their advantage eight minutes after the interval following a short corner that was confidently driven home. At this point Beaminster looked dead and buried.

However two minutes later they were buoyed by a move involving Davies and Gape that saw Tuck's flick just clear the far post.

Beaminster finally found their form and three minutes later Gape scored the first of their short corner goals with a perfect routine. Confident and aggressive they pounded the Yeovil goal but it looked like they would go home empty handed until the last dramatic moments.

White and Clarke were strong in defence with Davies always looking to support and run in midfield. Gape had a quiet first half but was back to her best in the final 25 minutes and help tip the game back Beaminster's way, whilst Tuck's strength and speed up front worried an experienced Yeovil defence that lacked pace.

On the balance of play Beaminster just about deserved a point.

Double top for Shipton Gorge

BOTH Shipton sides were in top form as the final third of the West Dorset Table Tennis League season got off to the best possible start with both teams putting their opponent in a spin and registering maximum 30 point wins.

Shipton Gorge A 30 Civil Service B 0

THE visitors' spirited attempt to stay out of the relegation zone suffered a severe set-back when they failed to take a single set against a rampant Shipton team playing at their best. Richard Trim, Gil Roberts and Chris Glover all achieved a clean sheet and Roberts and Trim were also dominant in the doubles. If this form can be maintained then Shipton's grip on the championship looks to be secure.

Colliton B 6 Shipton Gorge B 30

NOT to be outdone Shipton B also chalked up a maximum 30-point win, conceding only six games in the process.

Jim Saunders and, a back to form, John Moseley dropped only one set each in securing their nine point maximum wins and Dave Poole made his nine with the loss of only three sets. Poole and Saunders went on to win the doubles 3-1.

BRIDPORT 3RDS IN COUNTY CUP FINAL

Tiny crowd reflects desperate times for Terras

ST ALBANS CITY 2 DORCHESTER TOWN 1
Blue Square South – Attendance: 240
Tuesday, March 2nd

DORCHESTER Town were stunned to have left St Albans City's Clarence Park Stadium empty-handed on Tuesday evening.

The Magpies went into the game full of confidence borne from a promising run that had yielded 14 points from a possible 27.

Caretaker manager Ashley Vickers, who turned out 90 times for the Saints in the late 90s, was forced to ring the changes following Saturday's draw with Woking.

With Kyle Critchell in Portugal lining-up in the Wales non-league representative team Jamie Gleeson returned to the midfield engine room. Neil Martin came in for Ryan Hill and Ryan Moss returned to the starting line-up as flu saw James Coutts consigned to the bench.

Opponents St Albans City were forced onto the back foot as early as the 2nd minute when Matt Groves headed Steve Devlin's corner onto the bar.

But it was the hosts who opened the scoring shortly afterwards when Dorchester skipper Kevin Hill's handball was spotted by referee Karl Fitch and Drew Roberts slotted home the resulting spot-kick low past Regan Coward.

This sparked a torrent of Magpies attacks which resulted in 10 corners and, eventually, an equaliser. In the 35th minute City defender Gary Cohen was adjudged to have pushed Nathan Walker and once again referee Fitch pointed to the spot. Matt Groves stepped up to send veteran keeper Paul Bastock the wrong way.

But the visitors were level for barely three minutes as Jake Beecroft capitalised on Martin's stumble to set-up Roberts who tapped in his second of the evening.

There was still time in a pulsating first-half for Devlin to thud an effort against the upright and Bastock to twice come to his side's rescue.

The second 45 failed to live up to the first and the Saints held on to bag the three points.

There was late drama of the wrong sort when late substitute Jules Emati-Emati's challenge appeared to have seriously injured James Quilter. The home full-back was stretched over amid fears of a broken leg, fortunately scans have since revealed no fracture just severe bruising.

Magpies line-up: Regan Coward, Mark Jermy, Neil Martin, Warren Byerley (Jules Emati-Emati, 83), Nathan Walker, Kevin Hill, Nick Crittenden, Jamie Gleeson, Ryan Moss, Matt Groves (James Coutts, 63), Steve Devlin. Unused subs: Gary Bowles, Adam Taylor, Steve Gilbert.

CRITCHELL ENJOYS DRAGON'S EXPERIENCE

KYLE Critchell enjoyed his experience as a member of the Wales semi-professional side despite suffering a 7-2 defeat at the hands of Portugal last week.

The Dorchester Town defender played the entire International Challenge Trophy match against a star studded Portugal U-23 side that included Bolton's Ricardo Vaz Te who scored two of the goals, as well as players from Porto, Sporting Lisbon and Benfica.

The match played at the Municipal Stadium in Fatima saw the 23-year-old Dorchester born Critchell start in the centre of defence before moving to left back before finally playing the last quarter of the match in central midfield.

After going behind early, Wales equalised with a goal from Haverfordwest County's Jack Wilkinson but trailed 3-1 at the interval.

The Portuguese added two more before Altrincham defender Rob Williams scored from a corner to make the score 5-2 but the Welsh conceded two more in what was a comprehensive victory for the home side.

YEOVIL EYE SYMES

YEOVIL Town have given seven days notice of approach to Dorchester Town in respect of Jamie Symes.

The talented 16-year-old signed for Blue Square South Dorchester Town last October but is currently playing for his home club Bridport in the Toolstation Western League First Division having signed dual registration forms.

Symes recently had a successful trial with Championship side Blackpool and was told he would be invited back later in the year but is unable to turn professional until his 17th birthday.

Despite being pursued by league clubs, Symes has decided to stay in Dorset for the time being.

◆ Chris Symes

Dorchester assistant manager Phil Simkin said: "Jamie will be staying with us until the end of the season. As his parent club we are quite happy with his progress so far. We don't think he is perhaps physically strong enough for Blue Square South football quite yet, although we may recall him later in the season. However he is getting regular football at Bridport where we are pleased with his progress."

Bridport manager Trevor Senior said: "I spoke with Jamie and advised him to play the season out with us. There is plenty of football to play and he is in a comfortable environment, but I guess he will be moving on at the end of the season."

WEYMOUTH 1 STAINES TOWN 2
Blue Square South – Attendance: 365
Tuesday, March 2nd

MATT Groves' second goal in a week couldn't save Weymouth from yet another Blue Square South defeat at the View From Stadium on Tuesday evening.

The match kicked-off 20 minutes late when the visitors bus was forced into a 14 mile detour to avoid a low bridge. Despite the lack of a normal pre-match warm-up routine Staines took the lead when Guyanan international Howard Newton drilled the ball home through a crowded Terras' penalty area past Tim Sandercombe just after the half-hour mark.

The build up to the game had seen the Weymouth camp hit by a sickness bug that resulted in both manager Jerry Gill and Reserve team manager Dave Kiteley unable to attend the match. The bug also sidelined Simon Ratcliffe who was joined by Martin Slocombe (ankle) and Luke Benbow on the unavailable list.

With assistant first-team manager Andy Harris in the starting line-up club chairman George Rolls took a seat in the dug-out in a case of 'all hands to the pump'.

Groves levelled 10 minutes later stabbing the ball past Louis Wells from close in after a goalmouth melee but the Swans moved up to third in the table when Newton netted again with what proved to be the winner on the stroke of half-time.

The second period saw the Terras produce one of their most effective performances since the controversial sacking of popular manager Ian Hutchinson back in January – what a shame it was seen by just 365 hardy souls in Weymouth's smallest attendance in more than 20 years.

Terras line-up: Sanderscombe, McGuinness, Dixon (Foster 78), Mawer, Brice, Harris, Groves, Davies, Reid, Llewellyn, Reed. Unused subs: Vincent, Frampton, Tribe, Richardson.

Exiles too strong for Terras

WEYMOUTH 1 NEWPORT COUNTY 3
Blue Square South – Attendance: 1,123

ONLY a superb display from keeper Tim Sandercombe and resolute defending from the departing Scott Brice kept Weymouth in this game which threatened to be a walkover for the league leaders.

Ahead after three minutes Newport County continued to squander a host of chances in the first half that would have seen them home and dry, and when Weymouth had the temerity to equalise 15 minutes from time, immediately responded, scoring straight from the kick-off.

Sandercombe made a series of saves throughout the match to keep his side in the game, but couldn't prevent the Exiles taking the lead on three minutes when Stuart Douglas fed Kerry Morgan on the right hand corner of the penalty box. Completely unmarked he had time to stride forward and beat Sandercombe with an angled drive across the keeper into the far corner.

Sandercombe was then forced to save from Sam Foley at close range before having to dive at Paul Cochlin's feet to prevent the visitors adding to their lead.

Weymouth claimed a penalty with their first meaningful effort on goal when Luke Benbow was put through by Jamie McGuinness but went down under the challenge of Martyn Giles just outside the box. Stephen Reed was booked for remonstrating with the ref Daniel Cook and manager Jerry Gill went to see the official at half-time so incensed were they with his decision, but video evidence clearly shows Mr Cook was correct as Giles clearly dispossessed the Terra striker with a tremendous tackle.

Brice then clipped Douglas' heels as the former Terra broke raced in on goal and was booked for the offence, and from the resulting free kick Sandercombe brilliantly pushed away Danny Rose's curling effort.

Weymouth chances were few and far between but Matt Groves came close to equalising with a volley that was scrambled off the line by Foley and keeper Glyn Thompson, whilst at the other end Scott Dixon blocked Morgan's effort on the line after the striker was given an almost empty goal to shoot at.

Sandercombe continued to thwart Newport and it looked like his courage had paid off when the Terras equalised with 15 minutes to go. Thompson raced out of his box to head clear, but his poor effort went to Josh Llewellyn whose lob deflected off a defender and dropped into the net.

The Terras joy lasted seconds as Foley sprinted down the right wing from the kick-off before crossing the perfect ball to the unmarked Rose who couldn't miss with a header from six yards.

Newport made sure of the points on 84 minutes when Foley was allowed to stride forward and power home a low 35-yard drive beyond Sandercombe.

BRIDPORT RESERVES 3 SWANAGE 3

BRIDPORT Reserves picked up their first point of the year but missed out on two more after surrendering a two-goal lead at the weekend.

Bridport went into half time with a healthy two-goal cushion thanks to goals from Dan Jones and Man-of-the-Match Carl Bulman.

After the break the home side went into self-destruct and conceded three goals in seven minutes.

The team re-grouped and on the hour mark striker Ben Clarke equalised volleying home from Tommy Coggins cross.



■ **THAT'LL DO:** Robin Jones follows up to score Bridport 3rd's fourth goal after Matt Newcombe had saved his second penalty kick.
Photo by STUART BROOM

CARL Bulman had a chance to win the game late on but could only watch as his lob went agonisingly wide of the post. Manager Mike Savage said: "I was happy with the performance and to pick up our first point of the year."

"I would have taken the point at the start of the game but it was frustrating to see us fold in the second half. It has been our problem all season and it is just down to individual errors."

Jones hat-trick books Cup final place

BRIDPORT 3rd 4 ATHLETICO DORCHESTER 1
Dorset Junior Cup Semi-final

BRIDPORT 3rds cruised to a rather unexpectedly easy victory over Athletico Dorchester to book themselves a place in the final of the Dorset Junior Cup.

The two sides have very similar records in Dorset Division Three and have a good chance of lifting the title, so it was rather surprising that the Bees victory was so comprehensive.

Although they only led by a single strike at the break, three goals in the first 17 minutes of the second-half goals ensured Bridport's place in the final on April 20th.

Despite some neat play from wing backs Simon Harrison and Mark Cutler, Athletico never really produced the opportunities to upset a Bridport defence well marshalled by the experienced Jason Forbes.

However at the other end the Bees front three of Jake Scovell, Baptista and Simon Jones were dangerous and incisive and could have scored more.

Baptista set the pattern for the afternoon on four minutes, battling his way past three Athletico defenders but then seeing his flick with the outside of his right boot just drift wide of the post.

Two minutes later Bridport almost took the lead when Jones' shot beat Athletico's keeper Matt Newcombe but came back off the base of the post. The ball rebounded wide of the goal where Andy Davies got the end of his toe on the ball but it was scrambled off the line as it gently rolled towards goal.

It was 18 minutes before the visitors had a shot on goal but Bees keeper Will Meech had no problem dealing with Cutler's 25-yard effort.

Bridport took the lead three minutes later when Baptista skipped down the left wing before cutting the ball back from the bye line to Jones who wrong footed Newcombe by slotting the ball back across the keeper into the corner of the net from 10 yards.

Cutler then tested Meech at his near post with a fierce shot from the corner of the penalty area that saw the Bees keeper turn it around the post for a corner.

Although Bridport had the lion's share of the play constantly putting their opponents defence under pressure, Athletico's Harrison might have done better after chipping down a cross but he delayed his shot and was blocked out by the Bee's defence.

The Dorchester defence managed to scramble the ball clear to stop going further behind four minutes from the break after Newcombe bravely saved at Baptista's feet. When the ball broke free to Scovell, Athletico's skipper Scott King smuggled the ball away from him.

The second half was barely a minute old when King became the villain when he brought down Scovell inside the box. Jones confidently fired home the spot-kick for his second of the game.

Bridport took over after this to dominate the game and a good move saw David's teasing cross just missed Scovell's outstretched leg.

Scovell however got the goal his endeavour deserved two minutes later when he controlled Steve Battrick's left

wing cross before driving past Newcombe from just inside the area.

Athletico's best chance of the match fell to big Brendan Carroll on the hour when he met Carl Hicks cross unmarked on the penalty spot but he headed the ball well over the top of the goal.

Bridport sealed victory on 62 minutes when King sent Jones crashing to the ground just inches from the right hand line of the penalty box; an act that earned him a booking.

Jones slipped the free-kick to Battrick who was unceremoniously floored inside the box giving Jones the chance of his hat trick from a second penalty. Newcombe managed to block his poor spot kick but the ball rolled into the Bees striker's path for him to side foot home.

Athletico pulled a goal back three minutes later from a third penalty kick, awarded after Ali Boyer was adjudged to have handled the ball, and Hicks easily beat Meech from the spot.

With the game effectively over the match petered out with neither side really threatening the goal although Scovell did fire a 30-yarder over the bar as the game drifted to a close.

Speaking to the *View From* at St Mary's Playing Field immediately after the match, manager Steve Crabb said: "I'm delighted with our performance. It was a very young side out there, with three 16 and three 17-year-olds with just a couple of older heads."

"It was a fairly even first-half which I think we just shaded, but I think our fitness and youth paid dividends after the break. Fair play to Athletico they kept going but on the day we were worthy winners."

Whilst Crabb was pleased with the overall team performance he added: "I thought Tom Knott was superb at the back, and read the game very well for such a young lad. He gets better every game under Jason's (Forbes) guidance."

"Steve Legg ran himself into the ground in midfield, covering every inch of the pitch, whilst the front three and particularly Robin Jones gave their back four a torrid time."

Bridport 3rd's opponents in the final will be fellow League 3 side Windownman FC Reserves who beat Thorncombe 3-0 in the other semi-final. When the two sides last met at St Mary's Playing Field last month, the referee abandoned the game just before the end of the match when the Windownman's manager ran on to the pitch to remonstrate and refused to leave.

WEYMOUTH COUGARS 0 BRIDPORT U10s 14

BRIDPORT scored seven goals in each half and completely overran their hosts, and if it hadn't been for a number of good saves by their keeper the score could have scored many more.

Bridport showed their intentions right from the start by playing only one defender, and once they breached the Cougars defence after five minutes there was only one winner. Jamie Herbert was Bridport's player of the match.

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WEST DORSET SPORT ROUND-UP

WITH STUART BROOM

FRED GIVES A HOOT!

WEST Bay Sea Angling Club President Fred Bowditch reversed that well known saying 'Don't give a hoot!' by awarding the Presidents Cup, presented to the member he feels has worked hard for the club or promotion of the club over the year, to Roger Guppy, affectionately known as Hoot!

In explaining his choice at the club's annual presentation dinner, Mr Bowditch said that whilst there were many worthy winners he chose Hoot for all his hard work with the junior section, which over the years has produced two juniors for the England team in Steven Rathbone, who was crowned Individual Junior World Champion in 2008, and Oliver Mears as well as Connor Hallett who is an England squad member.

The dinner held at Highlands End Holiday Park last Saturday was attended by almost 50 members and guests.

It was a great night for Mears who in addition to

winning eleven trophies for his fishing also won the Clubman Shield for the member who has best supported the club through the year based on attendance at all club organized activities.

In all over twenty members won trophies for their prowess over the year.

Fishing was once again poor in the latest competition, a Sunday daytime fish at Seatown.

With a bright warm afternoon and a rising tide, most chose to fish the rockier areas in the hope of finding that elusive good fish, but the best they could do was Dave Chidzey's 635g catch of pout and rockling which took the prize.

Simon Bowditch managed 420g of the same selection for second place with Chris Harwood third. Kim Hyett was the top lady angler whilst PJ Wheeler landed the heaviest fish, a 225g rockling.

Most species was a tie between Oliver Mears and Lewis Bowditch.



◆ IT WAS THAT BIG!: Some of the trophy winners at West Bay Sea Angling Club's annual dinner. Standing (l-r) Roger (Hoot) Guppy, Paul House, Peter Presland, Peter Grinter, Frances Kitchen, Simon Bowditch, Steven Rathbone, Phil Maggs, Lisa Wagstaff, Dave Cornick, Graham Stephenson, Rod Barr and president Fred Bowditch. Kneeling: Paul Grinter, PJ Wheeler, Adam Cullingford and Oliver Mears.

BRIDPORT SQUASH CLUB

Spirited 2nds short on experience

Bridport 2nd 9pts West Hants 16pts

BRIDPORT 2nd's put in a spirited display against a strong West Hants side, and it is the experience of playing against teams like this which augers well for the second team's future writes Roger Lewis.

Bridport's Tony Cooke, promoted to No 1 was up against a very competent performer in Nico Heynes, and whilst he was as gritty and determined as always, Heynes' ability to reproduce a winning shot when it really mattered eventually saw him through 9-5, 7-9,

9-7, 9-2.

Robert Muir at two had his work cut out against the visiting Matt Satchall. As well as Muir played, it was Satchall who asserted his authority and never let Muir into the game. He found the pressure too much allowing Satchall to win 9-1, 9-5, 9-6.

Steve Hodder, making his season's debut at three for Bridport had an excellent victory against Dave Pickford. Hodder played sensible, intelligent squash to fully justify his place in the side and his ability to apply pressure at critical times paid off and he ran out a worthy winner by 9-2, 9-2, 5-9, 1-9, 9-6.

Ed Mamanta was up against Lorraine Page at four, and as well as she was allowed to play Mamanta's ability to counterattack proved decisive.

The Bridport player has come on leaps and bounds with team squash and this showed in his 9-0, 9-5, 9-3 victory.

Paul Cross has been involved in some long, hard games this season and this was no exception against West Hants Peter Trayler. A battle of tactics as each player tried to dominate led to a number of long, hard rallies, but in the end it was the tight boast shots of Taylor that won him a narrow win by 7-9, 9-5, 1-9, 9-7, 9-5.

BRIDPORT SUPERLEAGUE DARTS

Bournemouth pounce on dismal display

IT WAS another disappointing night for the Bridport darts team with the ladies going down 3-6 to their Bournemouth counterparts, and the men on the end of a 10-2 thrashing.

The ladies lost the opening two pairs matches before Sonia Cook and Elaine Ingram pulled one back.

However the job got tougher with Bournemouth taking the first two singles leaving Bridport having to win all the four remaining matches to grab a victory.

A Lady-of-the-Match performance from Jo Knight with a 3-1 win and 13.96 average gave them hope, but unfortunately both Sally James and Elaine Ingram lost, although Sonia Cook did manage to get her first win of the campaign to leave the final score a more respectable 3-6.

The men's season continues to get tougher and tougher with another big loss. The usual start for Bridport was maintained in the pairs with all four losing, leaving a big ask in the remaining singles.

Close defeats for Tony Brown, Nigel Druce and Ben Grainger left Bridport 0-10 down. With only pride to play for Mark Munro and stand in Skipper Derek Collins produced some good darts. A good win for Munro and then a Man-of-the-Match performance from Collins restored a modicum of respectability and a final result of 2-10.

The teams have a tough trip to Weymouth on Saturday with both looking for much needed points; the ladies pushing for a top three finish, the men to avoid a bottom three spot.

Bus leaves Axminster 6pm, Chideock 6.15pm and Bridport 6.30pm.

◆ **Important Announcement.** Due to the closure of the A35 through Chideock on Saturday March 20th, the decision has been made to postpone the Bridport Open at The Clock House, Chideock. A new date will be advised. For all the latest news, stats and information please visit www.clockpremierleague.webs.com

RUGBY ROUND-UP

with KEITH JENKIN

BRIDPORT FORCED TO WAIT FOR TITLE

ANOTHER round of league games took place on Saturday last and my choice of venue was considerable.

I decided to go to Honiton; feeling that there was little chance of being chewed by an irascible nag at the Allhallows ground. On my arrival I met up with several of the Honiton second team players and discovered that their fixture had fallen by the wayside.

WEYMOUTH 16pts WESTBURY 7pts

WEYMOUTH, having comfortably defeated these opponents on the road a few weeks ago, possibly took this game a little lightly. Whether they did so or not, they almost paid the penalty as their opponents took the lead after some 15 minutes' play with a converted try and were marginally the better side for the remainder of the first-half.

The home side were always in the contest however, with skipper Sample going well in the back row and Hughes, fresh back from an injury, providing solidity from full-back. They reduced the deficit via the boot of Peplow, who kicked a penalty goal late in the half, but still trailed 7-3 at the halfway stage.

Westbury do generally produce a useful pack but, additionally their half backs had made use of their possession won for them and had used it to gain territory, but the home side began to match them in the second period through a series of drives and, after they had kicked a penalty award to the corner, they won the ensuing lineout and skipper Mark Sample drove over for a try that, although it remained unconverted, took them into a narrow lead at 8-7.

Although far from being as cohesive as they would have liked, Weymouth now began to exert pressure, with number eight, Julian

Quick being at the heart of most things good about their rugby.

Their reward came a few minutes before the final whistle when outside centre Lewendon touched down an unconverted try that took them out of penalty goal range at 13-7.

The visitors were far from out of the contest however but, at the last, Peplow, whose kicking from tee had not been up to its usual standard, slotted a penalty goal to complete the scoring and to take them clear.

This win, hard earned though it was, takes Weymouth into the runners up spot of the Dorset & Wilts League Division One (South) with four games left to be played.

Seemingly, of the challenging sides, they were the only ones to win but, even so, they face an almost impossible task in trying to catch Bridport, the side above them.

NORTH DORSET 4ths 33pts

WEYMOUTH 2nd 23pts

THE Weymouth second side would have ended the day a little frustrated to have allowed this one to get away. They were the better side for an hour and led 23-19 with fifteen minutes to go, having scored tries through Nathan Allen, Andy Thorne, Ricky Randall and Adam Darcy, who also kicked a penalty goal.

They fell away a little in the final quarter however and a couple of home tries, both converted, took their opponents to the win.

DORCHESTER 15pts FROME 39pts

DORCHESTER'S contribution to this game against the league leaders had something of the NAAFI sandwich about it, in as much that, while starting positively and rallying well at the end, they contributed little in the middle

and lost comfortably.

They started brightly enough, putting pressure on Frome's set piece and, in fact, took the lead via an Adam Jones penalty goal. A lapse in their defence at the restart however allowed their opponents to run in an unconverted try and the score remained unaltered at 3-5 until well into the second quarter.

At this juncture Frome took control, scoring three tries in quick succession and, although Dorchester replied with a likewise unconverted effort by Matt Read, they still trailed by 20-8 at the halfway stage.

Frome began the second period as they had ended the first, scoring three more tries and converting two of them to put the result beyond doubt.

At this stage it looked as if the floodgates might open in a big way but credit to Dorchester for they stemmed the tide and did some attacking of their own in the final quarter.

They got a try back too. Flanker Miller scored it and Jones added the extras, but it was all to no avail and they ended the day well beaten.

SWANAGE & WAREHAM 2nd 16pts BRIDPORT 13pts

HAD Bridport won this one, they would have been crowned champions of the Dorset & Wilts League Division One (South) and would have been assured of a Southern Counties League (South) place next season. They were however, beaten by a useful home side, and displayed a certain naivety along the way.

It was a hard, unremitting contest, especially in the first half, with the sides cancelling themselves out for long periods. It was Bridport who took an early lead when full-back Wes Lewis landed a penalty goal, but the

home side replied almost immediately with an unconverted try and led 5-3 before the game was ten minutes old.

Thereafter stalemate ensued for a space until, just before the interval, Idris Croft the Bridport centre took the ball from set piece possession on the home twenty two, ran into a gap and had the legs to get over under the posts. Lewis added the extras to give his side a 10-5 lead at the halfway stage.

At this juncture all seemed set fair for the visitors. The home side showed signs of tiring. They themselves were beginning to play well and they did, of course, hold a narrow lead.

All did not go to plan in the second-half however. Bridport began to concede penalties and Swanage & Wareham kicked one to reduce the arrears after just a couple of minutes. Lewis did kick a penalty on the hour, but this was cancelled out immediately by a similar home effort.

Their problems continued. Their lineup was not functioning but nevertheless they continued to kick to touch instead of keeping the ball in hand. Their penalty count was rising too and both Stewart and Phillips saw yellow, the former for persistent offending and the latter for a trip, before the end.

Some ten minutes from no side, and with the score standing at 13-11 in their opponents' favour, the Swanage & Wareham eight won a lineout in the Bridport twenty two and set up a rolling maul. They rolled it over the line for the try that, although it remained unconverted, was enough to take them to the win, thus deferring Bridport's celebrations for another week at least.

Note: With three games left to play, Bridport lead the division by eight points from Weymouth who have a game in hand. Brid-

port do have a massively superior points differential and therefore, even if they lose all three games and Weymouth win all theirs, the Brewery Field side are extremely unlikely to be caught.

BRIDPORT 2nd 13pts BOURNEMOUTH 3rd 17pts

THE home side included half a dozen colts in their lineup and their inexperience showed, certainly in the first-half, with the visitors scoring three tries, one of which they converted, during the opening half-hour of play.

Bridport did get a score back just before the break, a penalty goal kicked by Swatridge, but still trailed 3-17 at the half way stage. The home side rang the changes at the interval and played better thereafter.

Frampton got over for a try to cut the lead and Swatridge converted it for good measure. He kicked a penalty goal with ten minutes left, and this effort brought his side to within a score. They could do no more and the visitors held on for the win to which, in all probability, their first-half performance had entitled them.

Bridport however, will have been satisfied with the way they played in the second-half after their long layoff.

FIXTURES 13th March - Bridport v Club Day; Bridport 2nd v Club Day; Chard 2nd v Somerset; Chard Colts v Keynsham; Crewkerne v North Petherton 2nd; Dorchester v Swindon (home); Dorchester 2nd v No game; Honiton v Salcombe (away); Sidmouth v Brixham (away); Sidmouth 2nd v Brixham 2nd; Sidmouth 3rd v Brixham 3rd (away); Weymouth v North Dorset 2nd; Weymouth 2nd v Dorchester 3rd (away).

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Rolls bans photographer

By Stuart Broom

TERRAS chairman George Rolls has sensationally banned an accredited licensed photographer from the ground for asking for information on a potential new chairman through the clubs fans forum.

Idris Martin is a well known freelance photographer covering all sports in the area, and has been covering Terras' matches at the Wessex Stadium for over 20 years.

However following the 6-0 defeat at home to Basingstoke on February 13th, Rolls approached Mr Martin and asked him to leave the ground and told him he was banned.

The row appears to stem from a request to Mr Martin by a picture agency on Saturday January 30th to supply a photo of Keith Cousins who they claimed was the new owner of Weymouth Football Club.

Although he rang the club for clarification he got no response, it being late on a Saturday evening; and so posted a request on the fans forum asking if anyone could help him.

According to Mr Martin, it was Gary Calder that identified him to Rolls who told him he should have contacted him first.

"I explained to him that I did ring the club but go no reply and as I did not have his mobile phone number I asked for help on the fans forum."

It later transpired that the information given to the picture agency by a national Sunday newspaper, who were writing a story on England captain John Terry who has close links with Keith Cousins was incorrect.

"I obviously did not know that at the time and was following up what is a standard request for pictures. As it was required for use the next day I could not wait to speak to anyone at the club and used my initiative."

"I have asked about the situation since and been told that I am still banned. It is a strange situation as he also banned my daughter Julie who

is also a photographer - and she had nothing to do with it!

"I am not going to lose any sleep over it."

I hold a Blue Square Conference license and accreditation, so I can get into any Premier, North or South ground to take pictures, but not the one in my home town!

"I could appeal to the Blue Square Conference management and may well still do so, but the current state of affairs the club finds itself in, there don't seem to be any point in wasting my time."

I emailed Gary Calder since the ban was enforced to ask if I am still barred from entering the stadium and received a one word reply "yes", so I guess I won't be going there for a while."

Unfortunately the **View From** was unable to contact anyone from Weymouth Football Club for their comments to Mr Martin's claim, as despite several telephone calls to the club, there was no answer.



NO LONGER WELCOME: photographer Idris Martin who has been banned from Weymouth football ground by chairman George Rolls.

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